The Endogenous Livestock Development (ELD) Network
Endogenous means... growing from within
Endogenous livestock development

...a people centred approach which stands for supporting animal husbandry systems based on livestock keepers’ own innovative strategies, knowledge and resources as well as the perception of wellbeing and improvement. It enhances the capacities of livestock keepers to use their own knowledge and resources in solving their problems.
ELD
(Endogenous Livestock Development)

The ELD network seeks to be a sharing and learning platform for individuals and organizations involved in people centered livestock development activities. The network has the following objectives:

- Create a global umbrella for joint learning, collaboration and networking
- Deepen the understanding and implications of people-centered livestock development
- Support field-based ELD initiatives
- Influence livestock-related education, research and policies
consider the whole farming system
keep outside inputs in balance with local resources
build on local practices and initiatives
ELD Network

- Initiated in 2003
- Capitalizes on activities and resources of different member organizations
  - Operating a mailing list on ELD (ELDev list) 300 +
  - Electronic newsletter “People and livestock”
  - Regular meetings of international working group
- Advisory board members of 13 countries
- Open to all interested in endogenous livestock development.
Advisory Board members

Ethiopia
Germany
Ghana
India
Kenya
Mozambique
Mexico
Bolivia
Netherlands
Nigeria
USA
ELD Network: Thematic areas

- Markets - Working with producers/livestock keepers to develop their vision for and help them access markets
- HIV-AIDS – How livestock can help Livestock keepers to cope with impact of HIV/AIDS.
- Traditional knowledge systems in livestock rearing and healing (Especially on intellectual property rights)
ELD Network: Thematic areas

- North-south; South-North; south to south linkages (Document and share effects of policies of the north affecting southern producers and livestock keepers)
- Education (making available education materials)
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