



GFAR THEORY OF CHANGE



This document outlines the **GFAR Theory of Change**.

The outcomes GFAR wants to contribute to are: more interconnected agri-food R&I systems, more inclusive governance of R&I programs, empowered small-scale producers' associations and MSMEs, mutual accountability and collective learning between stakeholders.

The foreseen intermediate impact is on the one hand more diverse, inclusive, participatory and accountable agri-food research and innovation systems, leading to enhanced capacity to deliver context-specific, sustainable, accessible and easily adoptable solutions; and on the other hand small-scale producers and MSMEs empowered to play a meaningful role as key actors and co-innovators in the transformation of agri-food R&I systems.

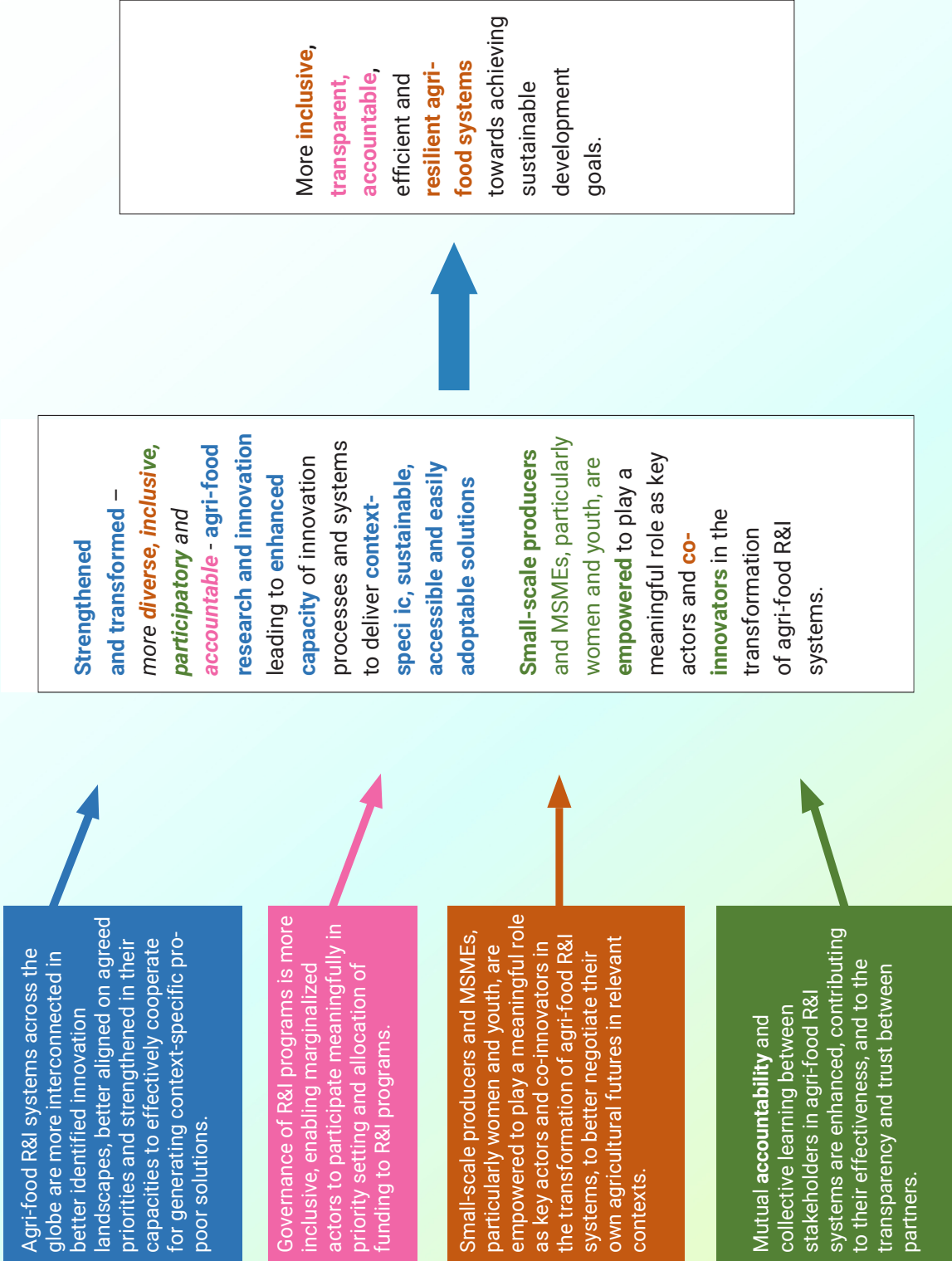
*The desired final impact is more **inclusive, transparent, accountable, efficient, and resilient** agri-food systems towards achieving sustainable development goals.*

FROM OUTCOMES TO IMPACT

IMPACT

INTERMEDIATE
IMPACT EFFECT

OUTCOMES

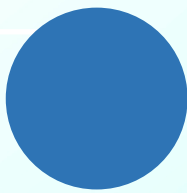


SHORT NARRATIVE

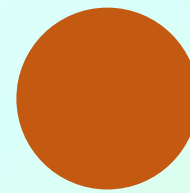
GFAR, through **Collective** Actions (CAs) and **Partnership Principles** (PPs), aims to empower Small Scale Producers (SSP) as key actors in the pro-poor transformation of agri-food Research & Innovation (R&I) systems, at the same time **making said systems more inclusive, participatory and accountable**, towards more **inclusive**, efficient and **resilient** agri-food systems and the achievement of the SDGs – in particular addressing climate change, food and nutritional security, sustainable agriculture intensification and poverty reduction whilst conserving environmental resources.

GFAR fosters **dialogue among all stakeholders** in agricultural research and rural development, **breaking down institutional barriers**, supporting **stakeholder learning** and **innovating together** by mobilizing knowledge **from different sources** for better connected, more inclusive and strengthened R&I systems that will generate and ensure broad access to and wide-spread use of context-specific, sustainable and systemic solutions.

Colors mark the relevant **impact pathway**:



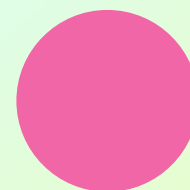
Impact pathway 1: towards better connected and more diverse agri-food R&I systems generating context-specific solutions



Impact pathway 2: towards more inclusive governance of agri-food R&I systems enabling participation of marginalized actors

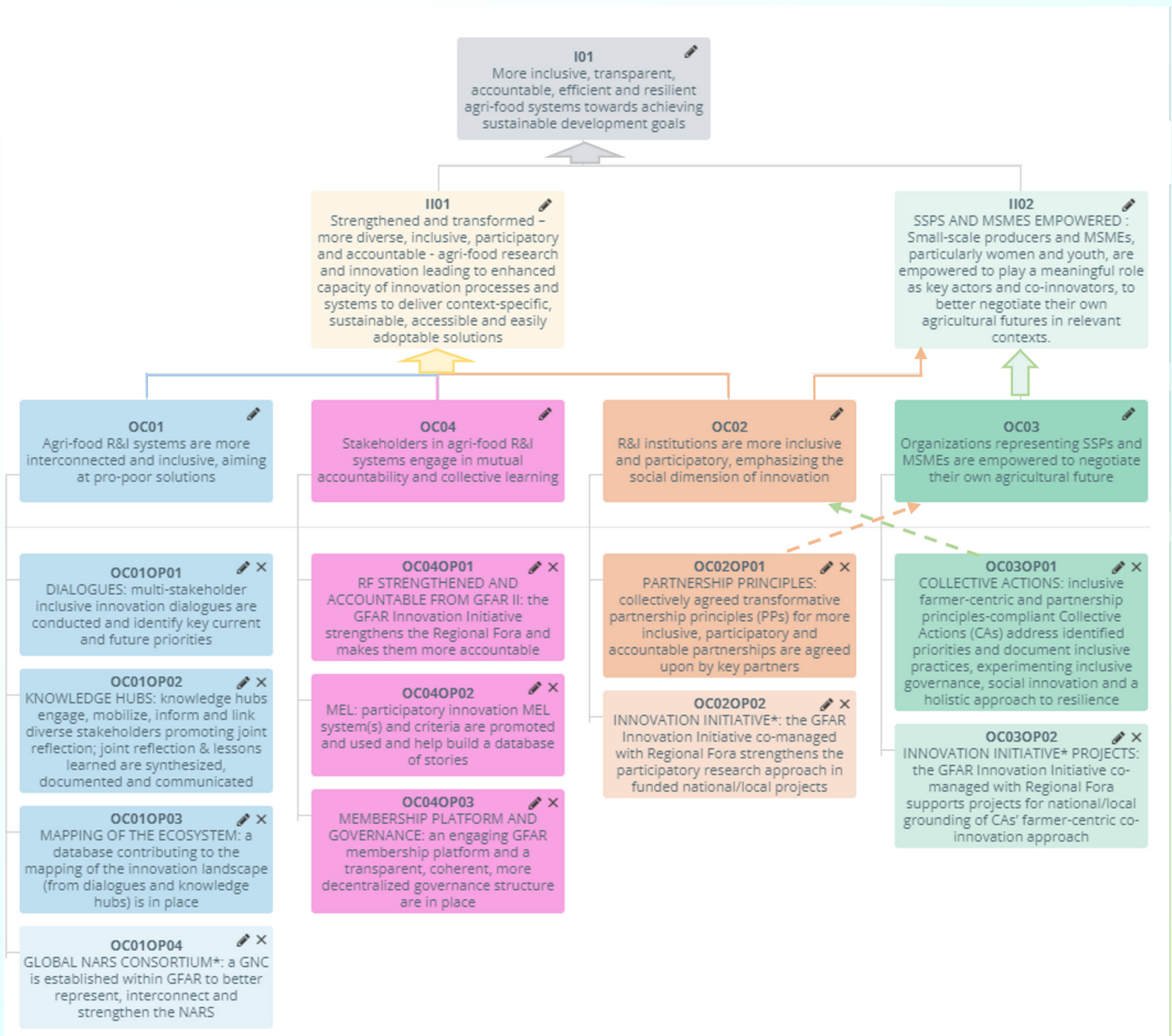


Impact pathway 3: towards empowerment of SSPs and MSMEs as co-innovators in the transformation of agri-food R&I systems



Impact pathway 4: towards mutual accountability and collective learning among stakeholders in agri-food R&I systems

GFAR THEORY OF CHANGE - DIAGRAM



* OC02OP02 and OC01OP04 are new proposed outputs, to be formally approved by the Steering Committee

