

Potato collection and activities in Georgia

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Value and scale of potato production in the Caucasus

2019 production	Georgia	Armenia	Azerbaijan
Total production area ha	16,000	20,133	56,921
Total production MT	194,700	404,507	1,004,172
Average yield MT/ha	11.9	20.0	17.6
Value of production MM USD	38.9	80.9	200.8
Estimated seed need Value MM USD	16.0	20.1	56.9
Estimated seed need value MM USD (33%)	5.3	6.7	19.0

Georgia - a Seed Hub for the Central Asia and the Caucasus?



- Potato forms a major part of Georgian diets, culture, and heritage—“second bread”. Potato consumption is around 55 kg per person per year, mostly as fresh produce. This figure is well above the world average of around 33 kg.
- Potato is an important staple and cash crop in Georgia with great potential for improving nutrition, food security and incomes throughout the country. But current potato production (8-12 tons per hectare) are far below potential yields of as much as 30 tons per hectare.
- Potato seed degeneration is the main constraint, caused by the accumulation of pests and diseases in seed potatoes over several cycles of propagation.

Potato Production in Georgia

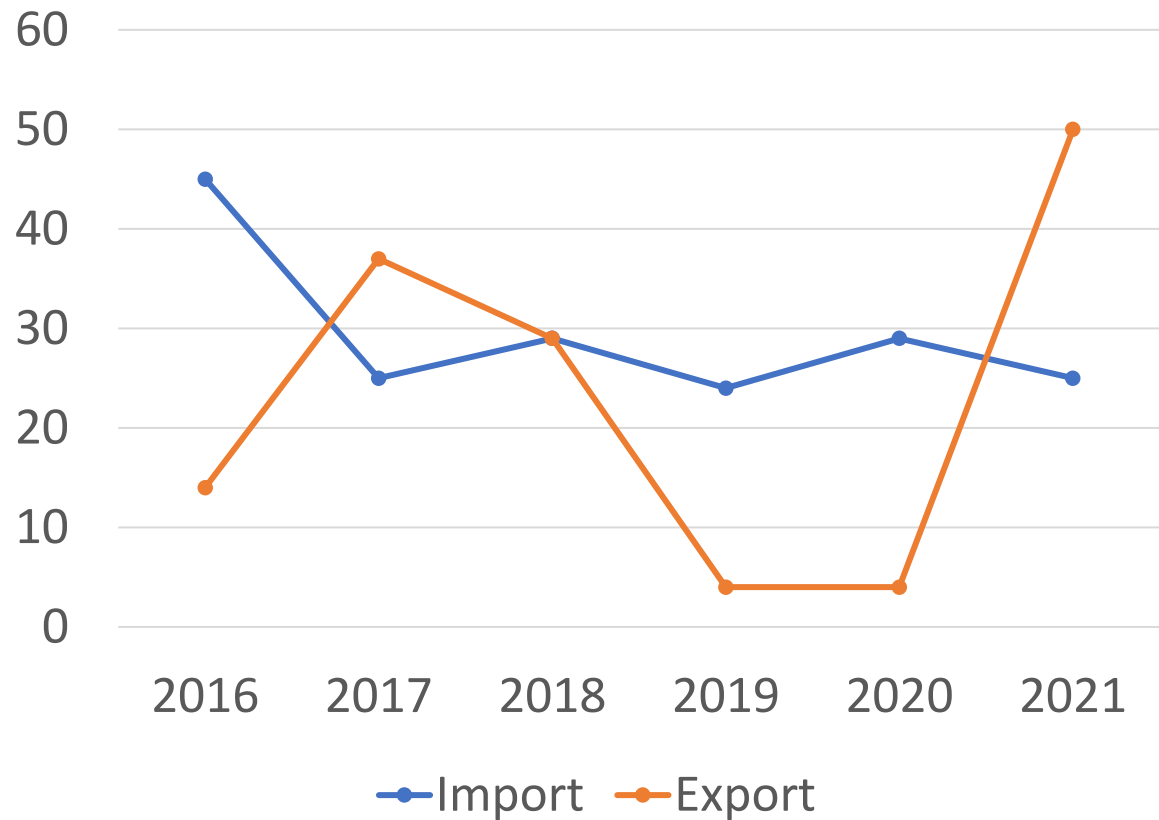
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HA

194,700
MT

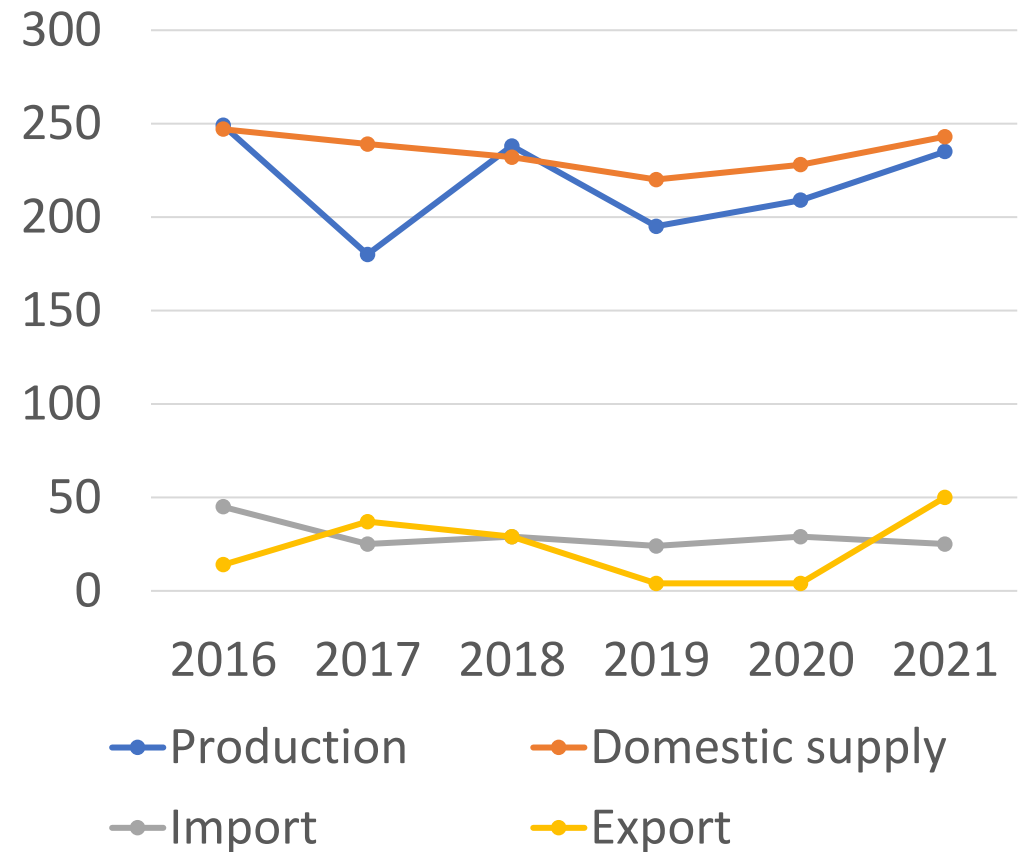
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T/HA



Potato Trade in Georgia
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Potato production/supply
Import/Export
1000 t



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PqE1-Y8mtzA>

A lack of practical knowledge and skills
among potato farmers
hampers improved production





Potato – Strategic Crop

Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture (MEPA)

State Potato Programs (2006-2022)

- Potato State Breeding Program
- Clonal Selection
- Seed Certification



Within the framework of fulfilling the obligations taken under the EU-Georgia Association Agreement seeds and planting material will be subject to mandatory certification in 2024.



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Boosting potato production to enhance rural livelihoods—Georgia

Enhancing rural livelihoods: Introducing integrated seed health approaches to local potato seed systems



This project aims to improve the livelihoods of Georgian farmers and rural communities by increasing the profitability and sustainability of potato crops and building the capacity of national stakeholders in the seed potato value chain.

Background

Potato forms a major part of Georgian diets, culture, and heritage—“second bread,” they call it. Georgians eat around 55 kg of potatoes per person per year, mostly as fresh produce. This figure is well above the world average of around 33 kg. However, yields remain generally low at approximately 12 tons per hectare (ha), a figure well below the potential 30 tons/ha. Potato seed degeneration is the main constraint, caused by the accumulation of pests and diseases in seed potatoes over several cycles of propagation.

In many locations, the introduction of certified seed systems is one option to address this challenge, but it has not proven successful in low-income countries such as Georgia. A more viable option promoted by the International Potato Center (CIP) is the “integrated seed health” strategy. This approach combines better plant resistance with improved on-farm management practices, including seed potato selection and storage combined with strategic use of high-quality certified seed.

This project builds on ongoing collaboration between CIP and Georgia’s Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture (MEPA) and it will guide government efforts to strengthen the potato seed systems and value chain in the country. CIP’s partners in the project include

the Scientific Research Center of Agriculture, Georgia’s information-consulting centers, the Agricultural University of Georgia, and the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences in Austria.

Objectives

The overall goal is to improve the livelihoods of Georgian farmers by increasing the profitability and sustainability of their potato-growing enterprises. The project also aims to increase the capacity of national stakeholders in the potato value chain to multiply and disseminate quality seed potatoes thereby improving the quality of potato seed available to farmers in the country.

Approach

In early 2016, the International Potato Center (CIP) began working with the Georgia’s MEPA in a major restructuring program designed to create a more effective, efficient, and sustainable potato seed system. The work focused on providing improved potato germplasm and technical support to enhance potato research and dissemination through breeding, plant protection, seed systems, and post-harvest technologies. This project complements these collaborative activities by addressing integrated seed health more specifically.

The first step involved the development of a potato seed plan to incorporate integrated seed health strategies developed specifically for Georgia, and a baseline study and mapping exercise. These reports identified weaknesses in the current seed system and offered solutions, including appropriate disease detection technologies, multiplication practices, certification protocols, and primary training needs. Based on these recommendations, CIP developed a training plan for on-farm seed management, focusing on introducing best practices for the management of self-saved seed and developing farmer training plans and “training of trainer” courses. The final stage in the implementation of the project will be the identification and promotion of new virus-resistant varieties.

Expected outcomes

Addressing potato seed degeneration will increase productivity with minimal input from farmers. The benefits accrue from the availability of new resistant varieties, application of simple on-farm practices, and enhanced access to high-quality seed at affordable prices.

CIP works with the Scientific Research Center of Agriculture of Georgia to support the improvement of seed multiplication and certification, with a focus on validating disease-detection technologies that are appropriate for the country. Activities build on the existing farmer extension service network to disseminate technologies and newly-introduced varieties. Seed system analysis and modeling are

carried out by the two participating universities. In this way, the project directly supports capacity development among several institutions and provides the government with science-based evidence to inform seed policy.

Achievements to date

By November 2019, CIP had established evaluation trial plots and undertaken a field trial to test virus resistance in 28 new potato genotypes and four existing potato varieties. Consequently, four CIP clones were pre-selected and recommended to Georgia’s authorities for release in the country.

As part of CIP’s promotional activities, it has developed a series of training guides on integrated seed health for farmers and extension workers which have been distributed through 54 regional information-consulting centers of MEPA. Capacity building workshops have also been delivered to nearly 600 farmers, extension trainers and scientists in Georgia on seed management, viral symptoms identification, integrated seed health, and potato seed degeneration modelling.

These activities have been supported by a series of public awareness activities on national and regional media outlets. An animation video on potato seed improvement was developed and aired on 30 regional and national TV channels for three months. Preliminary analysis of audience reach based on seven of the 30 broadcasters indicates that materials were watched by 71,000 households.

Key outcomes	By November 2019
Extension guidelines on integrated seed health improvement	four disseminated to 54 regional information-consulting centers
Capacity building training and workshops	551 farmers, extension trainers and scientists
Reach of animation video on potato seed improvement	>71,000 households
CIP clones recommended for release	4

Duration
July 2017–June 2020

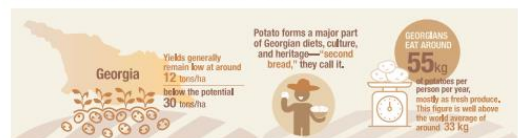
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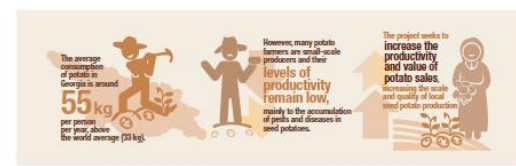
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Project profile

The USAID Potato Program in Georgia

This project aims to boost productivity and incomes among Georgian small-scale potato producers by providing new knowledge and locally produced, quality seed potatoes of high-yielding genotypes.



Background

Georgians love their potatoes, referring to them as a “second bread.” The average consumption of potato in Georgia is around 55 kg per person per year, eaten mostly as fresh produce. This is well above the world average of around 33 kg. However, many potato farmers are small-scale producers and their levels of productivity remain low. The poor yields are due mainly to the accumulation of pests and diseases in seed potatoes and the consequent shortage of healthy planting materials. This lack of locally grown, quality seed potatoes of improved, high-yielding and disease-resistant varieties is currently the major constraint to improving potato productivity across the country.

Objectives

Funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the project seeks to sustainably increase the productivity and value of potato sales among smallholder farmers in Georgia. It will do this by increasing the scale and quality of local seed potato production by addressing the root causes of low productivity and facilitating the commercial and institutional platforms that underpin a sustainable potato marketing system. The specific objectives are:

- to build leadership within the Georgia Farmers Association (GFA) and establish a potato producers’ network;
- to establish a model farm to produce and demonstrate quality seed potatoes;
- to introduce new potato genotypes, establish proper seed potato standards, and improve the existing seed certification system; and
- to provide training to advisers, extension professionals, and men and women farmers in integrated potato production and seed health (ISH) management strategies.

Approach

In this project, the International Potato Center (CIP) works closely with local private sector stakeholders—a large seed potato producer, the national rural advisory service and the country’s largest agricultural enterprise—to facilitate the adoption of innovative productivity-enhancing technologies to grow the value of potato sales among small-scale farmers.

The project is comprised of two main components with activities focused on key target areas. The first component will establish a model seed farm using 3G technology and develop a potato producer network. A supporting potato

council within the Georgia Farmers’ Association (GFA) will support the model farm operations. The producer network will represent the interests of farmers and act as a hub providing technical and marketing services in the target regions. Eventually, it will perform the role of supply chain manager, connecting farmers and their associations directly with buyers. This link is currently missing from local potato value chains. The network will develop its own business plan, laying the foundations for commercial sustainability and identifying key potential buyers, such as the Carrefour supermarket chain.

Establishing the model farm will involve constructing the physical infrastructure needed for large-scale seed potato production. Cutting edge science will be employed to achieve disease-free, high-yielding seed potato based on a rapid multiplication system developed by CIP.

The second component will introduce new potato genotypes and improved farming practices. It will ensure that farmers, extension agents and technical trainers have the knowledge they need to improve potato production practices and adopt integrated seed health management strategies. The project team will also ensure an effective seed potato certification system by adapting existing “best practices” to the Georgian context and developing the protocols and field inspection guides

needed to achieve certification. Training and other activities at the Scientific Research Center of Agriculture will build the capacity needed for it to become the key entity responsible for certification.

Expected outcomes

Seed potato producers engaging in this project are expected to increase their annual sales per hectare by 23.9% (from an average of USD 4,500 to nearly USD 15,000). This will happen in response to increased productivity of seed potatoes, from almost non-existent production to around 20 tons per hectare. In addition, around 1,500 farmers will receive training designed to help them improve their productivity levels. Due to enhanced access to seed potato of improved genotypes, farmers will increase their yields from an average of 12 to 25 tons per hectare.

Another key outcome is to obtain approval from the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture on the seed potato certification process and standards. This will lead to around 50% of potato farms in the project areas gaining certification as quality seed producers. These farmers will provide improved seed potatoes to approximately 15,000 smallholders. In total, the average annual sales of all seed potato farms involved in the project should reach USD 8.7 million.

Key outcomes	Impact
Increased sales of seed potatoes per ha by potato farmers	23.9%
Average yields of seed potatoes per ha	20 tons
Proportion of seed potato farmers receiving certification	50%
Smallholders with access to locally produced improved seed potatoes	15,000
Total average annual sales of seed potato for all participating farms	USD 8.7 million

Duration
12 December 2019–11 December 2022

Budget
USD 1.89 million

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Potato Collection in Georgia

- ✎ 16 registered commercial varieties (including 3 CIP clones (388611.22 - Meskhuri, 388615.22 - Javakheturi, 392797.22 - Meskhuri Tsiteli))
- ✎ 3 CIP clone processed to Released (Tskrialala - 398208.620, Ghvinisa - 396311.1, Kazbeguri - 309092.7)
- ✎ 28 TS advanced potato families
- ✎ 76 in vitro clones





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Variety Category Plant +

Brief Description of the Variety potato -

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<input type="checkbox"/>	244/8	P 2020 232 B	2020-12-17	Alouette (Potato / Solanum tuberosum L.)		The new and distinct plant variety 'Alouette' botanically known as Solanum tuberosum L., is table potato for export and local consumption. The vegetation period is from sowing to late maturity. 'Alouette' has an oval bulb, the tuber is red, with a medium yellow heart. 'Alouette' is a high yielding variety. It has a high resistance to diseases such as potato cancer, nematode, and late blight. The breed is a BC.	Kweek- en Researchbedrijf Agrico B.V.	Registration is in Force
<input type="checkbox"/>	198/8	P 2017 178 B	2017-04-25	saparke (Masha beans / PH AUREUS)		Variety 'Saparke' with accession number VC 3960-09 belongs to the bean genus, as its called as golden beans. It was received from the Agricultural World Center, Taiwan in 2010. It reproduces from seeds. Bean seed shape of the seed is thin and elongated, with dark green color. Weight of the 1000 seeds is 60 grams, length of the fruit of the bean is 6-8 cm, number of seeds in the bean 10-12, length of the seed - 5-6 mm.	Scientific-Research Center of Agriculture	Registration is in Force
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3 CIP clones Released

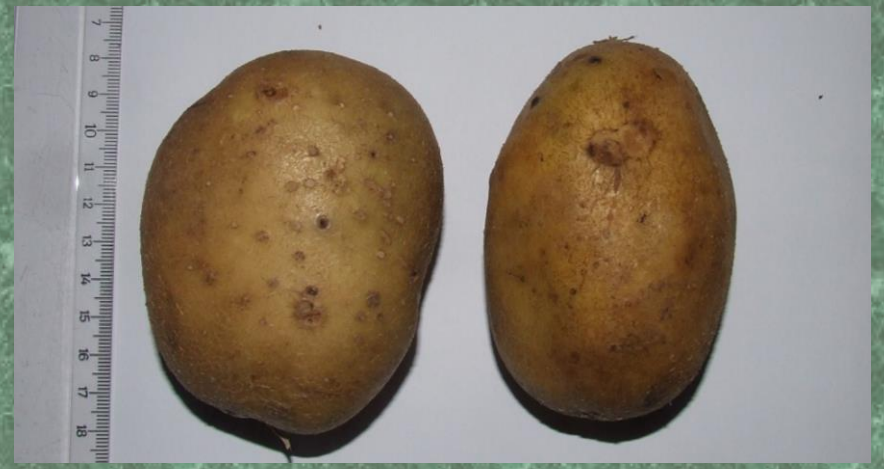
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Meskhuri Tsiteli



CIP 392797.22
Meskhuri



CIP 388615.22
Javakheturi



3 CIP clone processed to Released

Kazbeguri - 309092.7



Tskriala - 398208.620



Aisi - 396311.1



28 true seed (TS) families



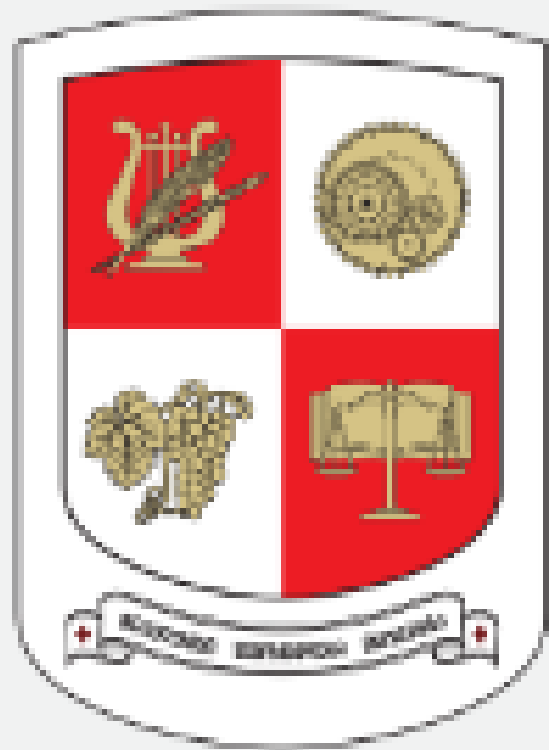
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6.	316396	30.07.2021	150	12.08.2021	14.08.2021	75	10.09.21	70/20	5-7 cm	20-25cm
7.	316400	30.07.2021	450	12.08.2021	13.08.2021	55	10.09.21	70/20	5-7 cm	20-25cm
8.	316401	30.07.2021	150	15.08.2021	16.08.2021	75	10.09.21	70/20	5-7 cm	20-25cm
9.	316402	30.07.2021	150	13.08.2021	15.08.2021	145	10.09.21	70/20	5-7 cm	20-25cm
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Catalogue

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**UNDER TEST BY STATE VARIETY TESTING COMMITTEE
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Accession Number of CIP: 390797.22-UNICA
 Country of Selection: Peru, Lima
 Country where cultivated: Peru
 Pedigree: 587521 3 x APH-RDOTE

CHARACTERISTICS

Growing period, days: 110

FLOWER

color: pink
 pedicel articulation position: above the middle
 inflorescence type: simple
 anther cone formation: normal

LEAF

structure: open
 leaflet shape: lanceolate

SPROUT

shape: bulbous
 color: pink

TUBER

shape: Oval-flattened
 skin color: red
 flesh color: yellow
 dry matter, %: 20
 yield, t/ha: 30-35
 use: chips

ADAPTATION
 resistant to viruses, high iron and zinc content



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ORD	Family Accession Number	PEDIGREE				POPULATION INFORMATION	
		Female Accn	Male Accn	Female Code	Male Code	Breeder	REMARKS
1	CIP314950	CIP394881.8	CIP300072.1	95.118	LR00.022	Mihovilovich, Elisa (CIP)	Base population for day neutral photoperiod
2	CIP314954	CIP388615.22	CIP300072.1	C91.640	LR00.022	Mihovilovich, Elisa (CIP)	Base population for day neutral photoperiod
3	CIP314959	CIP397039.53	CIP300072.1	C97.182	LR00.022	Mihovilovich, Elisa (CIP)	Base population for day neutral photoperiod
4	CIP314961	CIP392822.3	CIP300072.1	LR-93.073	LR00.022	Mihovilovich, Elisa (CIP)	Base population for day neutral photoperiod
5	CIP314970	CIP392822.3	CIP392820.1	LR-93.073	C93.154	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Base population for day neutral photoperiod
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20	CIP316475	CIP309071.037	CIP309093.043	VHT-071.037	VHT-093.043	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Virus Resistance; Drought and Heat Tolerance
21	CIP316478	CIP309072.046	CIP309022.032	VHT-072.046	VHT-022.032	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Virus Resistance; Drought and Heat Tolerance
22	CIP316481	CIP309092.007	CIP309093.043	VHT-092.007	VHT-093.043	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Virus Resistance; Drought and Heat Tolerance
23	CIP316488	CIP309105.057	CIP39050.036	VHT-105.057	VHT-050.036	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Virus Resistance; Drought and Heat Tolerance
24	CIP316490	CIP309105.057	CIP309112.098	VHT-105.057	VHT-112.098	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Virus Resistance; Drought and Heat Tolerance
25	CIP316498	CIP309129.011	CIP309093.043	VHT-129.011	VHT-093.043	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Virus Resistance; Drought and Heat Tolerance
26	CIP316501	CIP309131.016	CIP39050.036	VHT-131.016	VHT-050.036	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Virus Resistance; Drought and Heat Tolerance
27	CIP316502	CIP309131.016	CIP39056.005	VHT-131.016	VHT-056.005	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Virus Resistance; Drought and Heat Tolerance
28	CIP316507	CIP309137.095	CIP39050.036	VHT-137.095	VHT-050.036	Amoros, Walter (CIP)	Virus Resistance; Drought and Heat Tolerance

Characteristic	Measurement Standard	Threshold Level / Range
White grain	Visual; white=1	1
High grain yield	Machine harvest; grain weight at 15.5% moisture basis, expressed per unit of land	10% greater than Hybrid X (i.e. current best-yielding)
Medium maturity	Days to physiological maturity	110 – 115 day range (warm areas)
Tolerance to moisture stress	ASI (anthesis-silking interval) i.e. Days from 50% pollen shed to 50% silk emergence	$-2 \leq x \leq 2$
Stalk lodging	Estimated % affected plants/plot	≤5%
Root lodging	Estimated % affected plants/plot	≤5%
Northern corn leaf blight	1-9 scale; 1=best	Score ≤3
Gray leaf spot	1-9 scale; 1=best	Score ≤2
Diplodia ear rot	1-9 scale; 1=best	Score ≤2

INTERNATIONAL POTATO CENTER (CIP)
 Additional Terms and Conditions to the
 Standard Material Transfer Agreement (SMTA)

SMTA No. SMTA-00AD19-00AL08-160701 SMTA Date. 1st July -2016

(CIP Phytosanitary Statement No. 2016-70)

Article 1 - Legal basis:

For the **Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture under Development** transferred under this SMTA, CIP imposes the following **Additional Terms and Conditions**, in accordance with the discretionary right accorded to the developer under Article 12(e) of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture.

Article 2 - Definitions:

Unless specified otherwise, definitions contained in Article 2 of the SMTA shall apply to these **Additional Terms and Conditions**.

Article 3 – The Material

Each **Plant Genetic Resource for Food and Agriculture under Development** listed in the Annex 1 of this SMTA is bred by CIP and shall individually and collectively constitute the **Material**. CIP retains all rights (including any current or future intellectual property rights) to the **Material**.

Article 4 – Additional Terms and Conditions

Recipient accepts to be bound and respect the following **Additional Terms and Conditions**:

1. Upon arrival of the **Material**, **Recipient** will inform CIP about the status in which the **Material** was received (survival and viability).
2. **Recipient** can do evaluations with the **Material**. **Recipient** is requested to share data obtained from evaluations with CIP in an Annual Report, by using the form provided by CIP (which can be modified by CIP from time to time), for inclusion in the CIP Global Trials Data Management System (<https://research.cip.cgiar.org/confluence/display/GDET4RT/Home>).
3. **Recipient** can do crosses and/or genetically engineer the **Material**. If **Recipient** makes crosses or genetically engineers the **Material**, **Recipient** must include this in the Annual Report. If **Recipient** releases a progeny or genetically engineers a product derived from the **Material** for commercial use, **Recipient** must include this in the Annual Report.
4. **Recipient** cannot transfer the **Material** to any other person or entity without first obtaining the prior written consent by CIP.
5. Upon request by CIP, **Recipient** agrees to provide germplasm of the **Material** to CIP in **Recipient's** country.
6. **Recipient** can evaluate the **Material** for variety release, and **Recipient** must first obtain a license agreement from CIP for releasing the **Material** for commercial cultivation and/or use.
7. If **Recipient** uses the **Material** for any scientific publication, **Recipient** should acknowledge CIP as the breeder and provider of the **Material** and list the CIP germplasm identifier as it appears in this SMTA.
8. **Recipient** will provide to CIP and Annual Report by electronic submission by end of February of each calendar year following the year the **Material** was received and for as long as the **Material** is maintained by **Recipient**. The Annual Report will contain at the minimum (i) the results of the evaluation of the **Material**; (ii) the list of crosses made and genetic engineering realized; (iii) the

CIP clone 392797.22

Names:

Peru – UNICA (1998)

Georgia – Meskhuri Tsiteli (2011)

China - Qingshu 9 (2011)

Tajikistan – Tajikiston (2013)

Uzbekistan – under process/ release

Vegetation period (day neutral):

Peru – 110 days

Georgia – 80-140 days
(lowland/highland)

China - 120

Tajikistan – 80-90 days

Uzbekistan – 90 days

**UNDER TEST BY STATE VARIETY TESTING COMMITTEE
- UZBEKISTAN -**

Accession Number of CIP: 392797.22-UNICA
Country of Selection: Peru, Lima
Country where cultivated: Peru
Pedigree: 587521 3 x APHRODITE

CHARACTERISTICS

Growing period, days: 110

FLOWER

color: pink
pedicel articulation position: above the middle
inflorescence type: simple
anther cone formation: normal

LEAF

structure: open
leaflet shape: lanceolate

SPROUT

shape: bulbous
color: pink

TUBER

shape: Oval-flattened
skin color: red
flesh color: yellow
dry matter, %: 20
yield, t/ha: 30-35
use: chips

ADAPTATION
resistant to viruses, high iron and zinc content.

INTERNATIONAL POTATO CENTER



UNICA in different regions of Georgia





Technological Innovation



- ⚙ **Clonal selection –positive selection**
- ⚙ **3 Generation (3G) approach to seed and crop production**
- ⚙ **Apical rooted cuttings**
- ⚙ **True Seeds (TS)**
- ⚙ **Breeding**



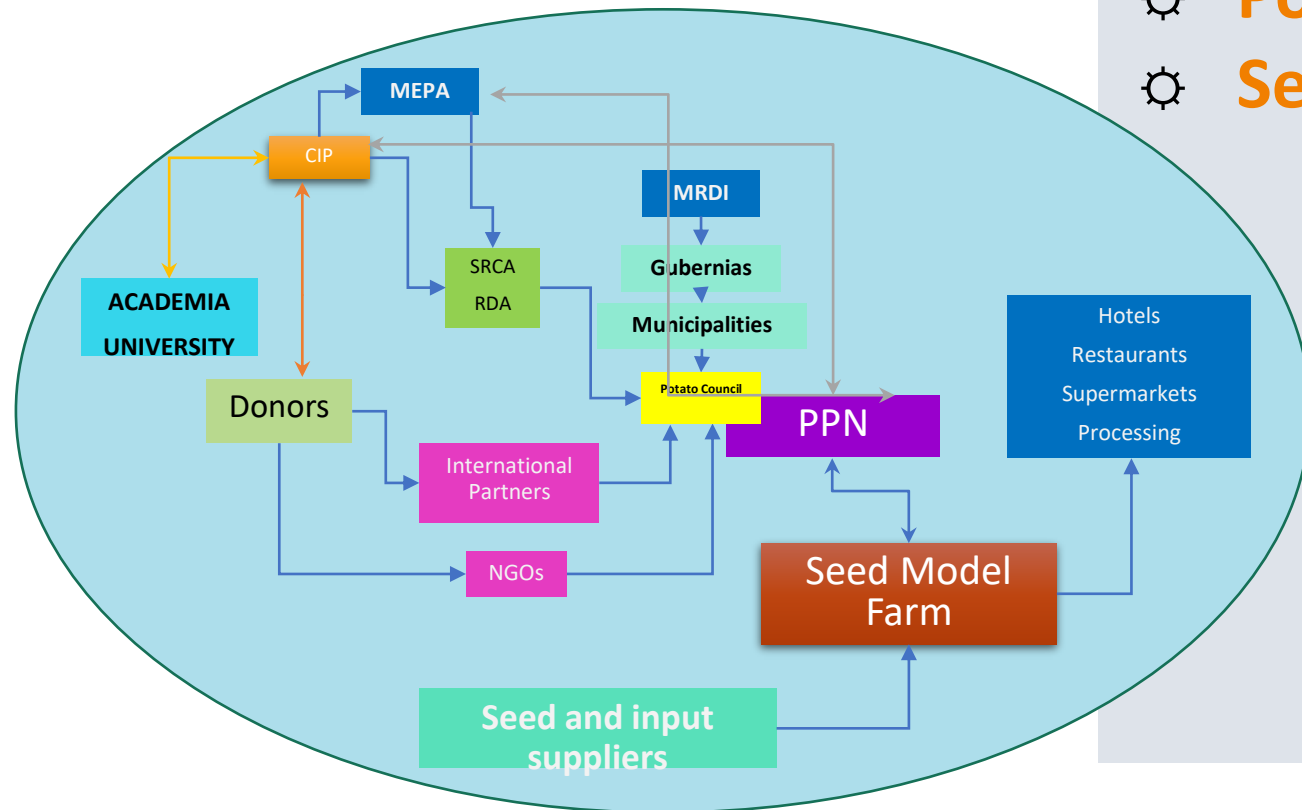
Commercial Innovation

- **Climate-smart varieties of potato replacing old varieties**
- **Seed certification**
- **Colored potato**





Institutional Innovation

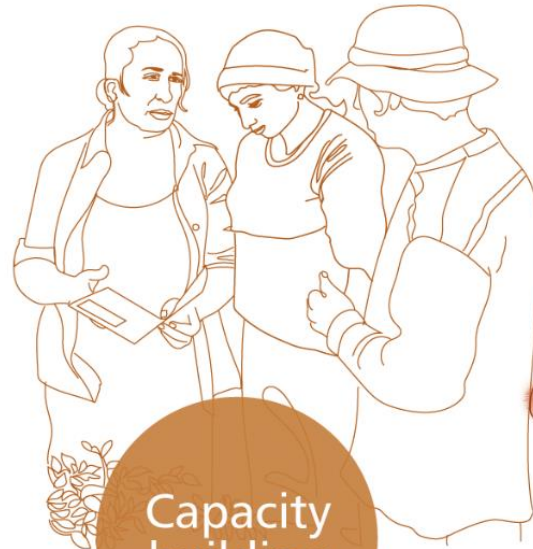


Multi-stakeholder potato platform

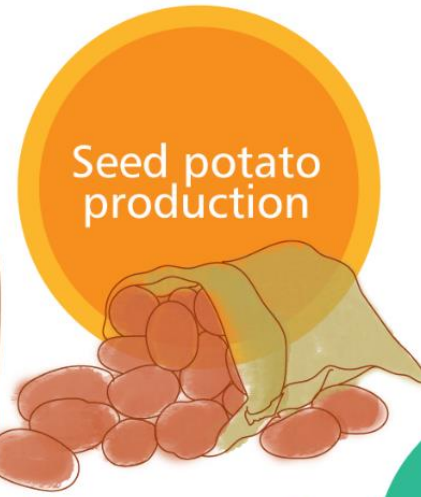
- ⚙️ Potato Producers' Network
- ⚙️ Potato Forum
- ⚙️ Potato Council
- ⚙️ Seed Multipliers' Union

Gender Equality

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WN7OxVIA5k>



Capacity building



Seed potato production

Inclusive opportunities





Call for Action:

**Development of Standards for material collection and registration considering national and international standards-
Product Profiles.**

Creation of online system of Product Profiles

**Mapping of Existed and
creation of new
Centres of Excellence**

Knowledge Exchange Network (KEN)

A heart shape is formed by potatoes in a garden bed. The heart is composed of several rows of potatoes. The outer border is made of yellow and green potatoes, while the inner border is made of red potatoes. The center of the heart is also filled with red potatoes. The potatoes are arranged in a way that they touch each other to form the shape. The garden bed is filled with dark brown soil and some small white granules. There are some green plants and leaves visible in the background.

Thank you for attention