

## Sustainable Agriculture and Natural Resource Management Collaborative Research Support Program

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## Trip Report: Bolivia

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to participate in the SANREM CRSP Annual
Bolivia.

Sites Visited: Cochabamba, Tiraque, Umala, Ancoraimes, and La Paz, Bolivia

## **Description of Activities**:

**SANREM CRSP Annual meeting**. The annual meeting took place in Cochabamba, Bolivia, and the Peruvian team contributed to the SANREM CRSP Andes LTRA-4 project presentation. There was also the opportunity to appreciate other SANREM CRSP project progress, providing useful information about what other projects are doing. Participated in the gender meeting in order to discuss on going gender research. Learned about possibilities for cross cutting themes in the SANREM CRSP. Landscapes and soils were identified as possible cross cutting themes. Learned about how SANREM CRSP evaluation system works.

International Seminar: Global Change and the Effect on Systems of Production in the Andean Zone. This was an international seminar organized by Universidad Mayor de San Andres –UMSA, Bolivia. The four members of Peruvian team attended this seminar and improved their knowledge about Global Climate Change, Community Capital Framework, Globalization and Rural Andean communities, Livelihood strategies and resilience, Biodiversity, Ecosystem services from the view of plant pathology, Gender, Soils, and Networks.

**SANREM CRSP Andes LTRA-4 annual meeting**. In this meeting the Peruvian team reported progress on their activities in Peru. After each group report, we had a reflection session about our individual and project advances. There was also a reflection session about the SANREM



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CRSP Annual Meeting and evaluation feedback in order to plan project activities for year 3, according SANREM CRSP EEP comments.

**Visit to LTRA-4 project sites in Bolivia.** During the LTRA-4 Annual Meeting in La Paz a field day was held in Umala and Ancoraimes, where the Peruvian team appreciated closely the work of the Bolivian team, and talk with Bolivian farmers and women groups.

**Workshop for the integration of thematic groups and institutions**. Also as part of SANREM CRSP Andes LTRA-4 annual meeting, we had a workshop to integrate initial findings and propose outputs for year 3, according to project hypothesis.

**Gender meeting.** Two members of the Peruvian team attended the gender meeting in La Paz in order to identify gender research opportunities.

**Bolivian stakeholder meeting.** At the end of the LTRA-4 Annual Meeting in La Paz, there was a Bolivian stakeholder meeting where many Bolivian local and international institutions attended in order to share what they are doing but also to define a common agenda for climate change issues in Bolivia, and how to build a dialogue platform about this relevant topic. The Peruvian team had also the opportunity to appreciate how this process is being generated.

## **Recommendations**:

**Cross cutting themes.** Define research activities on soils in Peru project sites and explore how landscape could be addressed.

**Gender.** Define possible gender research proposal in Peruvian sites and report to Maria Elisa Christie.

**Project Annual Meeting.** The next LTRA-4 Annual Meeting could take place in Puno, Peru, in order to continue integration of teams and thematic groups, as well as provide an opportunity for the Bolivian team to visit Peru's project sites. This would allow them to provide their perspective on the Peruvian team's work on the ground regarding SANREM activities. This would also be an opportunity to organize an international seminar at the National University of the Altiplano (UNA) in Puno. Moreover, the stakeholder meeting would include Peru's strategic partners, and there would be an opportunity to share and discuss planned activities and future possibilities to work together.

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