

## Webinar on

# "Mass Rearing of the Parasitoids of Fall Armyworm"

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Use of chemical pesticides to control pests and diseases in crops can invite potential problems of pesticide resistance, pest resurgence, Secondary pest outbreak, health hazards, environmental pollution, and destruction of natural enemies. Therefore, long-term and sustainable solutions for plant protection must follow an integrated pest management (IPM) approach. IPM includes regular pest monitoring and adoption of a combination of all available crop management options in a harmonized manner. Biological control is one of the components of an IPM approach. Knowledge on the occurrence of and parasitism rates of indigenous natural enemies is of vital importance to the design of biological management of insect pests, either through conserving local natural enemies or through augmentative release. This training on "Mass rearing of parasitoids" is technical and is designed for those who want to gain knowledge and experiences from experts in field collection, mass rearing in the laboratory, and mass release of biological control agents in the field for management of fall armyworm (FAW). Fall armyworm is an invasive pest that reached Africa in 2016 and Asia in 2018. It is a destructive, yet resilient pest – it thrives in hot climates, feeds at all plant stages, is resistant to many chemical pesticides, and travels and reproduces rapidly.

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