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| **Dear CDD Community of Practice Members,**  This month, we are excited to showcase the CDD [Transformative Grassroots Leadership Training Manual](https://collaboration.worldbank.org/content/sites/collaboration-for-development/en/groups/community-driven-development-global-solutions-group/documents.entry.html/2021/12/14/cdd_grassroots_leadershiptrainingmanual-9eeI.html), a resource developed by the CDD GSG that can be used to build the leadership capacities and soft skills of community institutions and women leaders. In 2022, the training will be piloted in World Bank-supported CDD projects in different regions. Please reach out to Susan Wong and Helen Liu if you are interested in learning more. This newsletter also includes training materials on [gender-responsive local economic development interventions](https://collaboration.worldbank.org/content/sites/collaboration-for-development/en/groups/cdd-and-local-economic-development/documents.entry.html/2021/12/15/gender_local_economicdevelopmentledandsdgs-NNlg.html), a blog on COVID-19’s impacts on [communities in the Philippines](https://blogs.worldbank.org/eastasiapacific/how-covid-19-impacted-vulnerable-communities-philippines), and recordings in case you missed our recent events on [empowering women as grassroots leaders](https://worldbankgroup.sharepoint.com.mcas.ms/sites/gsg/CDD/Sitepages/Detail.aspx/Events/mode%3Dview?_Id=221&SiteURL=/sites/gsg/CDD&CT=1639513130217&OR=OWA-NT&CID=e5d3f2bb-4c9c-01c9-faee-50b003d78fb6) and [locally-led climate adaptation](https://worldbankgroup.sharepoint.com/sites/gsg/CDD/Sitepages/Detail.aspx/Events/mode%3Dview?_Id=220&SiteURL=/sites/gsg/CDD&CT=1639152209665&OR=OWA-NT&CID=5fe6fdff-2698-8aeb-c0b4-b8298fafa09e). As always, we are eager to hear from you! Please share any relevant information and materials that you feel would benefit our community and stay in touch. With best wishes, Susan, Nik, Stephen, Helen, and Camila  |

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| **RECENT EVENTS**  |

[Empowering Women Leaders at the Local Level:](https://worldbankgroup.sharepoint.com.mcas.ms/sites/gsg/CDD/Sitepages/Detail.aspx/Events/mode%3Dview?_Id=221&SiteURL=/sites/gsg/CDD&CT=1639513130217&OR=OWA-NT&CID=e5d3f2bb-4c9c-01c9-faee-50b003d78fb6) [Approaches and Experiences from IFAD and Oxfam](https://worldbankgroup.sharepoint.com.mcas.ms/sites/gsg/CDD/Sitepages/Detail.aspx/Events/mode%3Dview?_Id=221&SiteURL=/sites/gsg/CDD&CT=1639513130217&OR=OWA-NT&CID=e5d3f2bb-4c9c-01c9-faee-50b003d78fb6)This webinar brought together representatives from IFAD and Oxfam to present their approaches and experiences in empowering women as grassroots leaders. IFAD highlighted the evolution of their Gender Action Learning System (GALS) methodology and Oxfam presented their Transformative Leadership for Women’s Rights approach and efforts to build women’s leadership in humanitarian contexts in the MENA region. December 14, 2021 |
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[Integrating Social Resilience into Locally Led Development:](https://worldbankgroup.sharepoint.com/sites/gsg/CDD/Sitepages/Detail.aspx/Events/mode%3Dview?_Id=220&SiteURL=/sites/gsg/CDD&CT=1639152209665&OR=OWA-NT&CID=5fe6fdff-2698-8aeb-c0b4-b8298fafa09e) [Design Lessons from Kenya and the Philippines](https://worldbankgroup.sharepoint.com/sites/gsg/CDD/Sitepages/Detail.aspx/Events/mode%3Dview?_Id=220&SiteURL=/sites/gsg/CDD&CT=1639152209665&OR=OWA-NT&CID=5fe6fdff-2698-8aeb-c0b4-b8298fafa09e)Co-hosted by the CDD and Social Dimensions of Climate Change GSGs, this webinar highlighted design and implementation lessons from Kenya and the Philippines on incorporating climate social resilience activities into locally-led Bank-supported operations. November 17, 2021 |

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| **RESOURCES AND TOOLS** |

The CDD GSG has developed the [CDD Transformative Grassroots Leadership Training Manual](https://collaboration.worldbank.org/content/sites/collaboration-for-development/en/groups/community-driven-development-global-solutions-group/documents.entry.html/2021/12/14/cdd_grassroots_leadershiptrainingmanual-9eeI.html) as a tool to 1) strengthen the capabilities and soft skills of community institutions to promote the inclusion of marginalized groups and advance women’s empowerment, and 2) build the leadership skills and self-confidence of women leaders. The training targets elected CDD committees, both men and women members, and can be adapted for projects that target other community groups, such as self-help groups, indigenous groups, or ethnic minorities. The training consists of modules that are customizable to specific contexts and can be delivered as a whole or as stand-alone sections based on project needs. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Susan Wong and Helen Liu. **CDD Transformative Grassroots Leadership Training**  |
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| [Gender Responsive Local Economic Development:](https://collaboration.worldbank.org/content/sites/collaboration-for-development/en/groups/cdd-and-local-economic-development/documents.entry.html/2021/12/15/gender_local_economicdevelopmentledandsdgs-NNlg.html) [Basic Level Course for Local Government Officials](https://collaboration.worldbank.org/content/sites/collaboration-for-development/en/groups/cdd-and-local-economic-development/documents.entry.html/2021/12/15/gender_local_economicdevelopmentledandsdgs-NNlg.html)Developed by the Inclusive and Equitable Local Economic Development (IELD) Program, co-implemented by UNCDF, UNDP, and UN Women, this training course aims to increase the capacity of local and regional governments for gender-equitable local economic development policies, interventions, and public and private sector investments. [USAID’s Draft Local Capacity Development Policy](https://www.usaid.gov/sites/default/files/documents/LCD_Policy_-_FORMATTED_508_01-11.pdf)USAID recently released their draft Local Capacity Development Policy which establishes an Agency-wide vision and common approach towards developing local capacity. The policy is [open for public comment](https://www.usaid.gov/local-capacity-development-policy) through January 31, 2021. |

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| **BLOGS**  |

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[How COVID-19 impacted vulnerable communities in the Philippines](https://blogs.worldbank.org/eastasiapacific/how-covid-19-impacted-vulnerable-communities-philippines)In this blog, author Ditte Marie Gammelgaard Fallesen shares the results from community surveys completed in August 2020 and April 2021 on COVID-19’s social and economic impacts. By surveying community volunteers and village officials from some of the poorest communities identified by the country’s national CDD project, the results capture the pandemic’s impacts on livelihoods, social cohesion, gender, and health in vulnerable areas.

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| **PROJECT APPROVALS**  |

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[Support for Resilient Livelihoods in the South of Madagascar Additional Financing (P177606)](http://operationsportal.worldbank.org/secure/P177606/home)The $100 million of additional financing was approved on December 10, 2021 and will scale up support to villages and households affected by the South’s ongoing drought. This includes support to food insecure households to strengthen food production and livelihood resilience and improve villages’ access to protected and sustainable multi-use water sources.

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| The Community-Driven Development CoP and GSG connects peers, thought leaders, and practitioners across governments, agencies, and academia, to share ideas and experiences on CDD approaches. This CoP/GSG is facilitated by the Global Programs Unit of the Social Sustainability and Inclusion Global Practice at the World Bank, with inputs from around the world.   To share papers, project news, interesting blogs, or upcoming events on CDD and other relevant themes with the CDD CoP, please email the CDD email and we'll incorporate these in the next "What's happening in CDD" newsletter. |

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