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# **Improving Potato Production for Increased Food Security in Indigenous Communities in Colombia**

**Subthemes: Public Policy, Working with  
Communities and Empowering Women**

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# Cross-cutting Themes

- **I will assist several Sub-groups to achieve their goals**
  - The Centrality of Politics
- **Overarching Objective: Successfully Working with Communities**
  - Civil Society
  - Buy-in and Ownership
    - Legitimacy
    - Priorities
  - Key to Sustainability



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# **Empowering Women**

- **Impossible without Community Buy-in**
- **Need to work with men too!**
- **Importance of children**
  - Role models
  - Expectations





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# The Public Policy Dimension

- **State-institutions need to support overall goals and objectives**
- **Identifying appropriate state policies**
  - Creating Incentives
  - Eliminating Disincentives
  - Ensuring Compliance
- **Working with Authorities**
- **Community Buy-in and Participation Essential**
  - Getting the state's attention