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GATES **AGRICULTURAL**
INNOVATIONS



**Gates Agricultural Innovations and Mahyco
Join PBI Management Program**

The Global Stewardship Group is pleased to welcome [Gates Agricultural Innovations](#) and [Mahyco Private Limited](#) to the [Plant](#)

[Breeding Innovation Management Program](#). Both organizations are current members of the Excellence Through Stewardship Program.

Gates Agricultural Innovations works to accelerate the most promising agricultural innovations being made available to those who need them most: smallholder farmers in sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia. They were created to function as an agricultural innovation accelerator, connecting what they see as a fragmented research and development pipeline to deliver improved crop varieties.

Mahyco is focused on research and development, production, processing, and marketing of seeds for India's farmers. Founded in 1964, Mahyco is a pioneer of high-quality hybrid and open pollinated seeds. With innovative technology and intensive research activities, Mahyco has played a significant role in improving India's agricultural industry.

We look forward to continuing our work with these organizations on their expanding stewardship work.



BASF and Innolea Complete ETS Audits

The Global Stewardship Group congratulates [BASF](#) and [Innolea](#) on its global Excellence Through Stewardship audit completions.

This marks the first audit completion for Innolea, which joined ETS in 2022. The France-based company was formed in 2019 when the research activities in oilcrops genetics and genomics of the company Biogemma moved to a new company, Innolea, under the control of three major French seed companies in oil crops, LIDEA seeds, Limagrain, RAGT Semences, and the innovation fund for oil and protein crops, Sofiprotéol.

Germany-based BASF, a longtime ETS member, is a global chemical company with its North American Agricultural Solutions division based in North Carolina's Research Triangle Park. BASF focuses on providing sustainable solutions to help farmers address the world's food challenges. From crop protection and pest control to innovative seed treatments and digital farming tools, their goal is to empower farmers with the resources they need to grow healthier, more productive crops.

The Global Stewardship Group is proud to join the talented teams at BASF and Innolea in celebrating their audit successes.

[List of ETS Audit Completions](#)

[List of PBIMP Audit Completions](#)



Member Profile: The Healthy Crops Project

In this Member Profile we feature the [Healthy Crops Project](#), an international research project with the aim to achieve significant yield increases for small scale producers in Africa and Asia by providing disease resistant rice varieties that can be introgressed with local elite lines.

[Read the Member Profile](#)



New GSG Learning Web Page

With the expansion of GSG Learning offerings, we have created a new page on the GSG website with details on available opportunities. The page highlights four components:

- Stewardship Best Practices 101
- Program Audit Preparation Course
- Stewardship Workshops
- Member Visits

Please contact GSG staff with any questions.

[GSG Learning Web Page](#)



Spotlight on Member Resources

In the Outreach Resources section of Member Resources on the ETS website, there are several presentations and other informational

materials. It includes five presentations on Maintaining Plant Product Integrity as well as an ETS Overview presentation. You are welcome to use them both internally and externally in your stewardship efforts.

[Outreach Presentations](#)



GSG Seeks Program Committee Members

Global Stewardship Group committees are an integral part of the development of programs, projects, and initiatives. We are seeking members to join **from organizations that are not currently represented**. The GSG Committees are:

Technical Development Committee
Audit Operations Committee
Academic & E-Learning Committee
Communications Committee

GSG could not fulfill its mission without the knowledge and expertise of the talented people from our member organizations. If you are interested in receiving more information about the committees and

their roles and responsibilities, please click below.

[GSG Committee Information](#)



Expert Chronicles Submissions Needed

GSG is seeking content for our Expert Chronicles series. Submissions can be in formats besides original written articles. Existing presentations, videos, and articles that have not yet reached the full GSG member audience are perfect offerings for Expert Chronicles.

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Have You Submitted Your Audit Plan?

At the beginning of every audit cycle, program participants are required to submit an Audit Plan.

The Audit Plan is a draft road map of your planned audits. It is a working document that can be updated at any time. We just ask that you notify GSG staff of any changes.

To submit your Audit Plan, click the **Send My Audit Plan** button.

If you do not know your Audit Plan status or have questions, click the **Know My Status** button.

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