

First Winner



Project Title:

Wheat Breeding for Iran

Researcher:

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Dr. Sanjaya Rajaram is a world-renowned wheat scientist who's been appointed director of the CIMMYT wheat program in 1996. He has been a leader in the development of an international research network of immense importance to humankind. This global network has facilitated the free exchange of invaluable genetic resources among thousand of wheat researchers worldwide. He has published 110 scientific papers in refereed journals and a good number in the conference proceedings, research bulletins and etc. Rajaram's wheat improvement approach has to combine well adapted genotypes with diverse germplasm and to employ multi-location testing to select the best performers for yield potential, disease resistance, abiotic stress tolerance, and grain quality. Supported by this knowledge and his precious experiences from cooperation with CIMMYT, Mexico, Dr. Rajaram offers his Wheat Breeding Programme for Iran.