Wude Tsega Beyene
2019 AWARD-EAIR Fellow

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Beyene is one of a growing number of women agricultural scientists who have won a customized institutional Fellowship for the Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research (EIAR). The customized institutional Fellowship is an intervention of AWARD’s Gender Responsive Agricultural Research and Development (GRARD) initiative that supports institutional capacity for gender-responsive agricultural research.

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Citing the reason why she chose to pursue a profession in agriculture, she noted, “I grew up in a farming family and fully understand the challenges that farmers in Ethiopia face every day. In fact life is much harder for the women. My dream is to make a significant contribution towards improving the livelihoods of farmers in my country.”

Through the AWARD fellowship, Beyenne hopes to develop her research and technical skills, and also gather some tips on effective time management.

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