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ACRONYMS:

APAARI	Asia-Pacific Association of Agricultural Research Institutions
AARINEA	Association of Agricultural Research Institutions in the Near East and North Africa
AGM	CGIAR Annual General Assembly
ARD	Agricultural Research for Development
ASARECA	Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa
CAADP	Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme
CGIAR	Consultative Group for International Agricultural Research
CSOs	Civil Society Organisations
DEEC	Development & Emerging Economy Countries
DG AIDCO	European Commission – Direction General EuropeAid
DG DEV	European Commission – Direction General Development and Relations with African, Caribbean and Pacific States
DG RTD	European Commission – Direction General Research
EC	European Commission
ECG	EIARD – European Consultative Group
EFARD	European Forum for Agricultural Research for Development
EIARD	European Initiative for Agricultural Research for Development
EPMR	CGIAR Centers – External Programme and Management Review
ERA	European Research Area
ERA-ARD	ERANET - The Agricultural Research for Development (ARD) dimension of the European Research Area (ERA)
ERANET	FP - European Research Area - Networks
EU	European Union
ExCo	CGIAR Executive Council
FAAP	Framework for African Agricultural Productivity
FARA	Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa
FORAGRO	Foro de las Américas para la Investigación y Desarrollo Tecnológico Agropecuario
FP	DG RTD - Framework Programme
FP7	DG RTD – 7 th Framework Programme 7
FSTP	Food Security Thematic Programme
GDPRD	Global Development Platform for Rural Development
GFAR	Global Forum for Agricultural Research
GTZ	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit
ICIPE	International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology
MDGs	Millennium Development Goals
NGOs	Non-Governmental Organisations
PAEPARD	Platform for African European Partnership on Agricultural Research for Development
SAG	ERA-ARD Southern Advisory Group
SCAR	Standing Committee for Agricultural Research
TF	EIARD Task Force
ToR	Terms of Reference
WECARD/CORAF	West and African Council for Agricultural Research and Development
WG	EIARD – Working Group

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For the session on the EIARD FSTP Project: Joost Lieshout (Co-Capacity) and Susanna Thorp (New Agriculturalist)

For "opened" sessions (session 2 and session 5): Jon Deane (ICRA), Prabhu Pingali (BMGF), Gordon Conway and Liz Wilson (Imperial College), Hans Herren (IAASTD)

0. Opening Session

0.1. Opening and welcome

The meeting was opened by Wolfgang Karsten, GTZ and member of EIARD, who welcomed the participants on behalf of Germany. He then introduced his colleague, Joachim Prey, deputy head of the GTZ department for Planning and Development, who briefly presented the political context in Germany, emphasizing the government commitment to increase support to rural development, and GTZ preoccupation on global food security and on facilitating innovation, new research and putting into use existing knowledge. In his response, the EIARD Chair Jonathan Wadsworth welcome the participants in his turn and thanked GTZ, stressing their active participation in EIARD and in the implementation of the renewed EIARD strategy, playing a specific role as executing agency for the EIARD - FSTP Project.

0.2. Introduction of ECG participants

The participants briefly introduced themselves. 15 EIARD Members (19 delegates) were represented, which is slightly below the previous attendances of ECG meetings (18 in 2008 and 2007, 16 in 2006, 17 in 2005, 16 in 2004, and 15 in 2003).

0.3. Adoption of the Agenda

The annotated agenda in Annexe 1 was adopted.

Decision 1

EIARD Members adopted the ECG15 agenda.

0.4. Formal Adoption of the Minutes of the 13th ECG meeting

The Meeting Summary of the 14th ECG Meeting in Lisbon, on 13 and 14 November 2008, were adopted with one minor revision.

Decision 2

EIARD Members adopted the Meeting Summary of the 14th ECG Meeting.

1. EIARD Status Report & Governance

1.1. Review of EIARD during the last twelve months

The EIARD Chair gave a brief overview of EIARD main activities in the last year, insisting on the efficient coordination of European positions in the process of the CG Reform, and on the launching of the EIARD strategy supported by the EIARD - FSTP project.

Philippe Petithuguenin presented a format for the future EIARD annual Report, requested by WG 46 (Brussels, October 09). It would have 3 parts: highlights (3 pages max); staff and meetings (2 pages max); results per activities (order of EIARD strategy) in max 15 pages. (see annex 2)

Decision 3

The proposed format was approved with modifications: Part 1 should be a document that can be read and understood on its own, and should also include list of priorities for the next year. Swap parts 2 and parts 3.

Action 1

ExSec to prepare this EIARD 2009 report by end of 2009.

David Radcliffe commented the progress to date on the ECG Action Points (Annexe 3).

The list of EIARD Task Forces and Leads and the table of EIARD ECG members were updated (Annexes 4 A and 4 B).

Action 2

ExSec to circulate these lists to all ECG members once updating is concluded

1.2. EIARD Governance

EIARD Executive Secretary

The EIARD Chair updated the EIARD members about the change of Executive Secretary (ExSec) during 2009. He thanked and commended David Radcliffe for assuming the workload of the ExSec in the interim period between the end of the appointment of Jean-Luc Khalfaoui (April 2009) and the arrival of Philippe Petithuguenin (November 2009). The chair also thanked the French government, and especially CIRAD, for the successive secondment of two of its senior staff members.

Appointment of the Working Group Members between ECG14 and ECG15

The current Members of the Working Group are EC, Belgium, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and United Kingdom.

It was decided to keep the same WG for 2010, as current members confirmed their commitment and no other EIARD members mentioned willingness to join.

Decision 4

The ECG endorsed for one year the following Working Group membership:

- Belgium,
- EC,
- France,
- Germany,
- Ireland,
- Italy,
- Netherlands
- Norway,
- Spain,
- Sweden
- Switzerland,
- United Kingdom.

1.3. State of the European ARD Area (EFARD – ERA-ARD – SCAR - ECART)

The Chair and David Radcliffe updated EIARD Members about the state of:

- EFARD
- SCAR
- ERA-ARD
- ECART / NATURA

The main elements are presented in Annexe ???.

Discussion

- Information on joint programming (JP) on Agriculture, food security and CC : this topic is likely to be approved on Dec 4; how joint programming will be implemented and what it will embark is not clear at the moment, but :
 - there ought to be a component of ARD within the joint programming on agriculture, food security and climate change
 - SCAR, and ERA-ARD II, and EIARD may have an active role to play in the construction of this JP
- Information on conference co-organized by EIARD, ERA-ARD and SCAR, on Dec 17. « Dialogue between Europe and its Southern partners on agricultural research and climate change ». It was agreed that all EIARD member should try to attend this conference, in order to strengthen the links with SCAR and also to participate to the discussion around the presentation of a study financed by the EIARD-FSTP project.

Action 3

Program of the ERA-ARD EIARD SCAR conference on Dec 17 to be sent to all EIARD members, with a reminder to register on line.

1.4. Information by EIARD Members on major initiatives

Nine ECG members presented the initiatives promoted by their country:

- **Finland:** ministry of foreign affairs initiative to strengthen partnership between Finland and Africa; streamline support to dvp policies of the African governments. Regional prog to improve food security in western and eastern Africa ; ilri ifrpri and icraf involved, University of Helsinki and two polytechnic school ; several millions euro.
Also a regional project with Icrاف, improving adaptability to CC ; 5 to 10 millions for 4 years, western and eastern Africa
On top of this Africa programm the gov is launching another initiative (see doc in annex 8)
- **Portugal:** dec 08 workshop with Portuguese speaking countries; lead to :
 - The establishment of a web site, hosted by the IICT
 - proposal of a network between Ilri and all Portuguese speaking countries, with IICT and Embrapa
 - global science program, finance by the Portuguese ministry of science, to offer grants to young scientist from dev countries, linked to Unesco.
- **Ireland:** special envoy for hunger has been appointing (Farrel, ex WFP), Hunger task force. Also exhibition at IrishAid (until Xmas); show impact of research on food security in a small village in Malawi; exhibition mainly geared towards secondary school students and taxpayers; is linked to CG centers ; that exhibition could be used by other EIARD members, it is available
- **Switzerland:** initiative on the agriculture advisory services. Work with world bank; will help dvp the global forum on advisory services, exec sec will be hosted in CH
CH is thinking of adjusting it support to the Cg, within the reform process, to move towards a multiyear fund commitment.
CH and UK have coordinated their support to ICIPE, in order to share the burden of administrative implication
- **Spain:** 2 areas of interest : Mediterranean and the Americas
The lack of implementation of research results is true everywhere but especially in many Medit. Countries. NB this is an areas of interest of the Medit Era Net

In the Americas, Spain is supporting a large number of small projects. Spain is interested to help the CG working in Latin America and is thinking about adapting its funding with the CG reform. Some bilateral funding for LAC countries could be channelled through some CG (under discussion)

SCAR WG on climate change led by Spain, meeting in January

- **Denmark:** initiative to link university and private sector; will create a fund, administered by FARA, to support consortia between private sector and universities, for education, capacity building, and putting into use agric research. FARA has been preparing a doc to be soon presented to Danida ("UniBrain" project).

- **France:**

Very involved in the joint programming initiative (already presented)

Global Horticulture Initiative : linkages between GHI and Avrdc have improved; there is a lot that can be done on high value crops. CIRAD will step down from the board of GHI and be replaced by a north American coordination mechanism; may be EIARD should think about getting more involved in horticulture and support the GHort.

- **Italy:** Italian ministry and Italian agric research org organized a meeting with CG in October; very successful

Consider that the Aquila initiative was a success, putting forward ARD, with mention of CG and GFAR.

Paolo is preparing a briefing note about the CG reform, to be presented to the Italian ministry

- **European Commission:** A detailed presentation of EC initiatives had been prepared but could not be presented due to lack of time (**see communication in annex 5**). The EC has many programmes in the field of ARD, including increased support to CGIAR. Another example is the CP Research for sustainable development programme (about € 20 million). This programme has two components: an Africa component corresponding to calls for proposals for an amount of € 15 million to be implemented by the Commission of the African Union and a Caribbean and Pacific component for an amount of € 5 million.

Discussion

This very interesting item should be supported by written materials, facilitated to the ExSec by the members.

Suggestion to do a study (commissioned under the EIARD FSTP Project) on capacity building, and retention of those capacities, in universities and research centers, as there are many related initiatives related.

Action 4

ExSec to request members for some written information on these initiatives collate and circulate them to all members.

2. Implementation of EIARD Strategy 2009-2013 & the FSTP support to EIARD

The objective of the session was to briefly present the new EIARD Strategy, as finalized by the end of 2008 and to update members on the first year of the implementation of the EIARD - FSTP Project (1.3 M€)

The EIARD Strategy was presented by the Chair (put ppt presentation in annex ?). No specific questions raised.

The item on the EIARD FSTP Project was introduced by D Radcliffe and presented by Barbara Adolph, as project coordinator (recruited by GTZ)

The discussion was focused on the future of the project, as there were no specific questions on the activity report sent to members (support doc n° 7 : project progress report).

Members were reminded that all of the project activities need to be contracted before end of 2010, even if their implementation can continue in 2011. The usual delay for contracting activities to third parties is between 3 (no competitive tender, for amounts of less than 20.000 euros) and 6 months (for more than 20.000 euros). There is therefore a need to contract faster in order to spend the amount available in due time.

Output 1 of the project: EIARD commissioned studies and policy briefs

Proposal to select studies contributing to improving donor coordination and harmonization: themes that would need harmonization, or be particularly difficult to harmonized on an European point of view

Process to dvpt EIARD policy paper will have to be done through discussion and consultation through EIARD, then a position paper would have to be approved by all EIARD members

Action 5

The PMT will send an email to ECG members requesting suggestions of topics to be studied under the EIARD-FSTP Project, and potentially to be developed into policy briefs. This message will include a set of criteria (potential for harmonization, emerging topic, justification...). Members should respond before mid December, and the choice of themes should be done before end of 2009.

Output 3 of the Project : Communication strategy for EIARD

Presentation by Wren Media (UK) and Co-Capacity (NL)

Wren Media will propose a communication strategy for EIARD, based on members needs: propose a short online or telephone survey in January 2010, about Web site targets and objectives and also on non web communication.

Discussion

Need to take into account the future maintenance of the web site, as it should also be part of the survey.

Do not consider only EIARD internal need for communication, as EIARD site should be complementary to what members are already doing, complementary to the existing communication landscape of European ARD. The consultant should help EIARD members to identify what their needs are

We should agree on what need to be in open access and what need to be accessible

to EIARD members only.

Decision 4

Time table and approach propose by consultants is approved : the consultation will start in Dec 2009 and the web site will be launched by may 2010 (in a test version)

Action 6

For the survey implementation, the PMT will communicate to the consultants the list of ECG members, completed by a list of main EIARD partners. In their response, ECG member will have the possibility to suggest other contacts to be included in the survey (for instance within their ministerial colleagues).

Decision 5

The proposal to combine activities in bigger clusters (3 or 4), to be contracted after a competitive procedure, is approved as it will reduce the time spent in administrating many small grants (of less than 20.000 euro each). The PMT will have to see how best to implement this decision

3. ARD perspectives and activities in Africa at continental, sub-regional and country levels.

3.1 ARD in Africa and European support to FARA and SRO : "CAADP and African RD networks"

Presentation by D Radcliffe. See support document n°8 (and ppt presentation in annex ?)

Focus on the CAADP, Comprehensive African Agriculture Development Program, and its fours pillars: land, rural infrastructure, food supply, research and adoption.

CAADP is implemented at country level, regional level and continental level, involves different ministries and all stakeholders and donors. Until 2008, only Rwandan had completed a "country compact"; 10 more countries have moved forward in 2009;

FARA is the lead institution for pillar 4 of CAADP

FARA main functions within CAADP are: advocacy for ARD in Africa; access to knowledge, capacity building, partnership and strategic alliances.

Multi donors trust fund: 17 millions usd have been approved for FARA in 2009; funds from EC, DfID, and Canada

The MDTF tries to harmonize procedures between donors, but procedures are still very complex (for instance, the operational manuals still implies a high transaction cost and a long process).

IAR4D concept: being assess by the science committee of the CG, on the basis of work done in FARA (Challenge Programme SSA)

Discussion

The presentation was followed by a discussion on the concept of AIR4D, as compared to ARD (a concept paper on AIR4D has been prepared by ICRA for FARA and should start circulating in Dec 2009.), on FARA (its capacity to deliver on all expectations, and the difference in vision between FARA that sees itself mainly as an advocacy group and the donors wishing FARA do have a more implementation role of ARD).

Discussions also reached on the regional organization, on the linkages between SROs and NARS, with the successful example of ASARECA. Participants were also reminded

that there are other regional organizations in Africa working well, for example on IP rights.

3.2. The approach of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to ARD in Africa

This topic was presented by Prabhu Pingali, deputy director on agricultural development of the B&M Gates Foundation.

History of the foundation: created 10 years ago with a grant from B and M Gates + same amount from Warren buffet; its the largest private foundation.

Started with health and with schools in inner US cities

5 years ago, the foundation opened its global dvp program, because health is linked with poverty and hunger; agriculture is the largest part of this global dvpt program

Focus on small holder agriculture, esp women, esp un sub Saharan Africa. Also focus on some region of SEAsia (region lagging behind while there is strong growth rate at national level)

Want to see the impact pathway of the funding given; how does it makes a difference to the targeted beneficiaries?

Believe strongly in partnership, in the target regions

-> funding to CG

-> Alliance for Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA)

Use a value chain perspective, in 4 parts: science and technology; farmer productivity; market (market linkages that are required for adoption of innovation); and policy and statistics (what is the training required at all levels, what is the favorable policy context)

Science and technology: increase productivity, reduce volatility, increase diversification; breeding, crop management, seed system, bio-fortification for micro nutrients + Training of scientist, at Msc level or other level (the AWARD program)

Market: how to reduce transaction costs for farmers to access to market; work with the World Food Program to buy the food locally/regionally; work on storage, on transformation....

Policy: the environment should be an incentive to innovation, at the farm level; also need better statistics to follow impact and to do advocacy work for agriculture; work on risk management strategies; training Msc on agricultural economics (282 students across 12 universities in Africa)

BMGF gives 450 millions usd per year (in 2008), it is significant but this only represents 5% of the calculated needs for African Agriculture to address the challenges ahead. So there is an urgent need to partner with other donors and gov.

Discussion

There were many questions after this interesting presentation. Several of them concerned the relation between the BMGF and the CGIAR. The foundation has provided lots of support to the Cg without being a member of the CG system. This is going to change : the BMGF will participate to the next CGIAR Business Meeting and will consider entering the CG Fund. The Foundation may not be able to contribute to core funding for CG research, as it wishes always to have a clear link between the support given and some specific impacts. This may evolve with a clearer identification of the content of proposed MegaPrograms.

The Foundation puts a lot of emphasis on Monitoring and Evaluation : on average, about 10 % of BMGF funding for a project goes to MandE ; the foundation has also finance a study (by IDS, UK) to develop an Evaluation system adaptable to a wide

range of situation.

BMGF is considering a grant to support farmers' organization and decentralised extension services. It is also considering establishing a minimum % of its funding going directly to African institutions.

3.3. Issues and progress on mapping European ARD activities in Africa

This topic was presented by Sir Gordon Conway (Imperial college, UK) who is conducting a study commissioned by the BMGF on "Europe and Africa: partnerships in food and agriculture".

This study, based on OCDE data base for ODA, is on-going and only preliminary results (= ODA "country profiles" for a limited number of country cases) could be presented. These preliminary results suggest a high degree of diversity among the donors, both in % of aid going to SSA agriculture (average is 4 %, ranging from 12 % in France to 2 % in the US), in thematic repartition and in geographic priorities.

Discussion

The discussion focused mainly on the issue of the reliability of the OECD data. There may be errors in the thematic classification, or the real content of the activities could sometimes be only loosely connected to the theme title.

This work can be useful to EIARD as it could be a base for a reflexion on harmonisation versus diversity: is the diversity of approaches between donors useful or detrimental to Europe and its partnership with Africa? how to articulate complementarities and use them for better partnership ?

EIARD could consider a workshop on this issue, illustrated by this study, among others.

Action 7

ExSec will liaise with the Imperial college team to organize the circulation among EIARD members of the "country profiles" established. Comments from EIARD members would be sent back to IC, in the course of Dec 2009, before final synthesis is released at the beginning of 2010. Latter, an EIARD workshop (jointly with GDPRD?) could be organized for discussing results.

4. CGIAR an GCARD Issues

4.1. Update on progress of CGIAR reform, following ExCo17

Chair presents the discussions and decisions taken at the ExCo 17 (Rome, November 2009) and also the documents prepared by CG secretariat after the ExCo; using as a support the minutes of the ExCo 17.

The Chair commended EIARD action as it has to be noted that final CG decisions are very much in line with EIARD views (see annex 6), demonstrating the leverage influence of having common European positions.

Discussion

Questions and answers took place between ECG Members and the chair and the other EIARD participants to the ExCo17, in particular about the following points:

- Confirmation that the names of board chair and co-chair will be announced at the business meeting at beginning of Dec 09. The rest of the board will be confirmed before end of dec 09 (P Fabre)
- Fiduciary responsibility in the channelling of money between the trust fund, the trustee (which is the World Bank), the consortium and the centres: This point is being studied at the level of the WB, but it seems that it will not create unacceptable difficulties. Should be confirmed by the business meeting

- Confirmation of the balanced partnership between the fund council (=donors) and the consortium (=doers) (modification of the sentence on "the locus of oversight")
- Coordination between donors joining the Fund and "other" donors: a clearer role should be given to the Funders forum, to facilitate their coordination and agree on common principles. This FF is important as, in the reformed system, the funder summit will be the only event where all donors will meet and have an opportunity to discuss. The relationship between the FF and the FC will have to be clarified, as it appears that the Fund Council will "report" to the Funders Forum
- Cost of overheads: the Fund Council and the Consortium will assess what would be "reasonable" as costs for the ISPC, the M&E system, the secretariat, etc. This point should be raised at the Business Meeting.
- Development of the SRF and MegaProgrammes: EIARD members should read the text dated 18 nov. (available on the CG website), as it is well structured and documented. Further developments are expected, also in interaction with the Gcard process. The Gcard will offer a platform to discuss the SRF. If Gcard discussions are favourable to the proposed SRF, then it will be the FForum that will endorse / approve the SRF. .

Decision 6

EIARD members and donors to the CG System will inform as soon as possible the Cg secretariat on what their 2010 funding (total amount and repartition between Centres and Challenge Programmes), so that the continuation of research activities in the CG System is not compromised .

4.2. Update on Gcard process and the European Consultation

The GCARD process was presented by Pierre Fabre (France) and Paolo Sarfati (Italy).

The GCARD is a process promoting alignment, dialogue, advocacy, and integration of international research with national research systems. One important step in this process are the GCARD conferences, every two years. The first one will take place in Montpellier, in march 2010.

The process also includes various stages of consultations and studies

A workshop (with about 25 participants from the Alliance, the Science Council, the TMT, the GFAR, and the regional Fora) will be organised in Paris at the end of January 2010, to discuss on the SRF, and on the role of the CGiAR within a renewed global system. Possible MegaProgrammes will be discussed during this workshop.

Regarding the GCARD conference in Montpellier, it will start on March 28 and last 4 days (Day one for political visibility and commitments; days two to four for definition of an action plan and detailed principles).

There will be around 600 participants, under invitation only

Discussion

Questions and answers took place between ECG Members and the two presenters, in particular about the following points:

- justification for having a closed event : in order to keep a balance between stakeholders, as gcard has to be some sort of a decision making process. There will be around 250 delegates from the regional Fora, 150 delegates from the donors, 50 from CGIAR.

- the content of the Gcard "action plan" : It is still very vague, and will depends on propositions by consultants and the outcomes of the meeting programmed for end of January. One option is to have a non-detailed action plan, setting general ideas to be revised 2 years later. The implementation of this "action plan" (or global "architecture") will be the responsibility of GFAR. As GFAR joins all the stakeholders, this means that EIARD may have a role to play in this implementation of the Gcard "action plan"....

4.3. EIARD positions for the CG Business Meeting and EIARD FC Membership

The Chair led the discussions on this item of the Agenda.

The first part of the discussion was related on the main objective of the Business Meeting, on Dec7, in Washington DC : to get final approval from members on the ultimate drafts of all the documents referring to the reform of the CG system.

All EIARD comments presented at ExCo have been, so far, accepted by ExCo members. If this is confirmed in the final drafts of the documents, EIARD will approve them.

NB : one of the main document, the Declaration, has already been approved by email consultation to the ExCo members on 23 Nov.

Decision 7 EIARD members will do a revision of the final CG texts and send eventual comments to the ExSec for compilation and preparation of the EIARD position for the Business Meeting.

EIARD position for the Business Meeting should be a message of support, encouragement and a projection forward. Maybe notes of attention could be drawn to specific issues (without being objections).

Action 8 The ExSec will revise the text "highlights of EIARD positions at the ExCo 17", to transform it into the EIARD position paper for the Business Meeting (to be finalized at an informal EIARD meeting in Washington, on Dec 6)

The second part of the discussion related to the (future) Fund Council membership.

The Chair explained that Europe has been allocated 4 seats at the FC and that EIARD has the responsibility to:

- decide who will occupy these 4 seats available for Europe, and
- explicit the rules for this allocation .

These rules and the names of the 4 European members of the Inaugural Fund Council should be made public at the CG Business Meeting.

The EIARD chair did not allow the German delegate to present a proposal for allocation of seats in the Fund Council. He insisted that EIARD delegates had first to agree on principles and process for FC membership, before options or propositions could be considered. **(see also ppt presentation in annex 7)**

The discussion led to the following decisions:

Decision 8 Eligibility criteria for a rotating European seat on the FC:
- At least 75 % of its CG funding going through the windows 1 and 2 of the Fund, or minimum contribution of 5 to 10 (?) M USD, in the Fund the previous year
- Capacity to discharge the duties of FC member.

Decision 9 Principles for seat rotation:
- all the 4 European seats are rotational
- the EC will be considered similarly to the other European donors
- the rules for rotation will be defined later; but they will take in account that the diversity among European donors (in amount of fundings) should be represented ; one way of doing this could be to link the frequency of rotation

with the amount of funding.

- EIARD chair will not have an automatic seat, but the 4 European members sitting in the FC will have to accept to represent EIARD and not only their national constituency.
- the 4 European members will work in a coordinated way, may be sharing the work load ; also avoiding to change the 4 members at the same time.
- Membership is institutional and not personal. There will be possibility of alternates: first, within the same institution, with a person well prepared to assume the responsibility and defend EIARD points of view; if the institution cannot find a replacement, it will delegate another member of EIARD.

In the case of the inaugural Fund Council, five European donors are willing to sit in the inaugural Fund Council, demonstrating a strong commitment to donate to the Fund as soon as it is feasible, and willing to meet the long term criteria approved among EIARD members. (see annex 5).

These are: the European Commission, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom.

The delegate from Norway proposes to rotate before the end of its term in the inaugural FC to be replaced by Switzerland, proposition agreed by the Swiss delegate.

Decision 10

The initial 4 European members in the CG Fund Council will be: EC, UK, Norway (replaced by Switzerland after one year) and Sweden

5. Presentations by partner organisations (opened session)

ICRA : "a case for harmonized donor support"

By Jon Daane, DG of ICRA DG

Jon Daane presented briefly ICRA, which is a "small" CG center, based in Wageningen (NL) with a specific mission: provide advance training for students in agricultural research focussing on small scale farming in developing countries. Its key words are: pro-poor, innovation, research impact, capacity building for rural innovation.

Because of its historic, geographic and funding ties with European donors, but also because it is confronted to an imbalance between, on one side, an increasing demand for capacity building and, on the other side, a very small team (8 permanent staff), J Daane proposes that ICRA be a "case study" for harmonization of EIARD donor support.

This proposal will be discussed within EIARD, if possible at the first WG meeting in 2010.

Intellectual property within the CGIAR

By Victoria Henson-Apollonio
(CAS-IP / Cgiar).

This very well informed presentation addressed the major issues linked to Intellectual Property in an institution like the CGIAR, aiming at producing "public" goods, based on IPR and contractual rights.

Everything produced by the CGIAR is a public good, but it could be protected, when this is justified and in a transparent way. This is important to care for co-ownerships with partners and to reduce liabilities. Used jointly with adequate exclusivity, protection could also help result to reach the target beneficiaries. On a

general point of view, having a clear policy on IPR is an asset to develop partnerships, with public as well as private institutions. The CGIAR has therefore developed an in house capacity on IP issues (especially providing reference documents and advice), at central level (CAS-IP) and in some Centers. This expertise can also be used by partners' institutions (Cas-IP has given support to FARA on its contractual agreements)

The discussion confirms that there is a need to raise European donors awareness on IP, and that Eiard could consider been a facilitator in this process. For instance, training events organised by CAS-IP could be opened to Eiard members.

IAASTD

By Hans Herren. (co chair of IAASTD; President of millennium institute)

The presentation gave an overview of the main conclusions of this International assessment on how science and technology is facing "big "challenges like increasing agricultural productivity, reducing poverty, mitigating and adapting to Climate Change. These conclusions give pre-eminence to the concept of a "multifunctional" agriculture (social externalities, eco-systems services, incomes and job creation, adding value) and also to the importance of trade and policies. The report advocates for a renewed focus on family agriculture, because of its importance in providing the bulk of the food in the world, as well as billions of jobs and opportunities to lift people out of poverty.

In conclusion, H Herren proposed the IAASTD studies to be institutionalized (for follow up and updating), maybe with a link with the GCARD process.

6. Dates and venues for the next EIARD meeting

Due to time constraints, several items of the agenda were discussed only briefly or not at all (example of the EU FSTP programme)..

For the same reason, the ECG meeting did not:

- discuss the location of next ECG.
- collect the comments of each delegation regarding the format and conduct of the meeting (balance between closed session and opened session, duration, management of discussions, etc) and proposal for the next ECG meeting.

Action 8

The ExSec will contact ECG members by email and collate their general comments on the 15 th ECG and proposals for ECG 16th.

ANNEXE 1

15th EUROPEAN COORDINATION GROUP MEETING

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GTZ - Eschborn

ANNOTATED AGENDA

- 0. Opening session** **08.30 - 9.00**
- **Welcome by host country (Germany)**
 - **Chair's Opening**
 - **Introduction of EIARD members and Representatives**
 - **Adoption of the agenda**
 - **Formal adoption of the minutes of the 14th ECG meeting**
 - *Doc 1 – 14th ECG minutes*
- Session 1: EIARD Status Report and Governance** 9.00 - 11.00
- 1.1. Review of EIARD activities during the last twelve months**
- Objective :
- *Reviewing EIARD's achievements since the last ECG meeting in Lisbon in Nov. 2009.*
 - *Updating ECG on EIARD membership.*
 - *Updating ECG on EIARD Tasks Forces, Leads and ECG Members in third party governing bodies and task forces.*
- Documents:
- *Doc 2 – EIARD Draft Report for 2009*
 - *Doc 3 - Progress report on ECG Action Points by Nov. 2009.*
 - *Doc 4 - List of EIARD Task Forces, Leads and Representatives*
- 1.2. EIARD Governance**
- ➔ Appointment of the Working Group Members between ECG15 and ECG16
- Objective :
- *Current members of the WG (Belgium, EC, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and United Kingdom.) will express their intention regarding their WG membership between ECG15 and ECG16.*
 - *Other EIARD Members consider joining the WG for 2010.*
- Action :
- *Chair: Briefing*
- 1.3. State of the European ARD Area (EFARD – ERA-ARD – SCAR - Agrinatura)**
- Objective :
- *Updating ECG on major progresses made in the building of the European ARD area.*
- Action :
- *Chair, EC RTD & Executive Secretary: Briefing*

1.4. Information by EIARD Members on major initiatives

Objective :

- *Informing ECG Members on major initiatives from EIARD Members regarding ARD.*

Action :

- *ECG Members: Briefing*

1.5. Main challenge for the next twelve months

Objective :

- *Highlighting the key challenges for EIARD in the year ahead.*

Action :

- *Chair: Briefing*

Coffee Break: 11.00 – 11.30

Session 2: Implementation of EIARD Strategy 2009-2013 & FSTP support to EIARD

11.30 - 13.00

Objective :

- *Discussing progress on FSTP project for implementation of EIARD Strategy and prioritisation of future activities.*

Documents:

- *Doc 5- EIARD Strategy 2009-2013 – Final*
- *Doc 6 - Technical Annex to Contract (Project workplan).*
- *Doc 7 – Project Progress Report*

Action :

- *David Radcliffe (EC) (former PMT Coordinator)*
- *Barbara Adolph (GTZ consultant)*
- *Co-capacity/Wren Media (consultants on communication strategy and website)*
- *Briefing and discussion*

Lunch: 13.00 – 14.00

Session 3: ARD perspectives and activities in Africa at continental, sub-regional and country levels. 14.00 – 17.00

3.1. The architecture of ARD in Africa and update on European support to FARA and SROs

Documents:

- *Doc 8 FAAP*

Action :

- *Presentation by D Radcliffe (DG DEV)*
- *Briefing and questions*

3.2. The approach of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to ARD in Africa

Action :

- *Prabhu Pingali BMGF*
- *Briefing and questions*

3.3. Issues and Progress on mapping European ARD activities in Africa.

Action :

- *Sir Gordon Conway, Imperial College, London*
- *Briefing and questions*

3.4. Panel Discussion on ARD in Africa:

- *Are donor efforts effective in delivering results on the ground?*
- *How much effort should be given to strengthening African institutions?*
- *Do we have the right balance between support at continental, sub-regional and country level taking account of CAADP.*
- *Panelists: Sir Gordon Conway, Prabhu Pingali, David Radcliffe, a.n. other*

Official dinner hosted by Germany

19.00

-----**November 25, 2009, Wednesday**-----

Session 4: CGIAR and GCARD

08.30 – 14.30

4.1. Overall update on progress on CGIAR Reform, following ExCo 17

- *CGIAR Fund: Current progress and issues*
- *CGIAR Consortium: Current progress and issues*
- *ISPC: Current progress and issues*
- *SRF and mega programmes: Current progress and issues*
- *Monitoring and Evaluation Framework: Current progress and issues*
- *Joint Declaration*

Documents :

- *Doc 9 - CGIAR Declaration (Draft)*

Action :

- *EIARD Chair*
- *Briefing, Questions and discussion*

4.2. Update on GCARD Process and the European Consultation

- *GCARD Process*
- *European consultation*
- *GCARD at Montpellier 2010*

Documents:

- *Doc 10 - GCARD Overview*
- *Doc 11- GCARD. European Synthesis Report*

Action :

- *Paolo Sarfatti (Italy)*
- *Pierre Fabre (France)*
- *Briefing, Questions and discussion*

Coffee Break: 11.00 – 11.15

4.3. Summing up of EIARD positions and next steps, including CGIAR Business Meeting and GCARD 2010

- *Preparing EIARD positions for CGIAR Business Meeting*
- *Discussing EIARD participation in CGIAR Business meeting*
- *Participation of EIARD in GCARD*

Action :

- *Chair*
- *Discussion and agreement*

4.4. EIARD Representation on the Inaugural CGIAR Fund Council

- *Criteria for membership*
- *Selection of Members*

Action :

- *Chair*
- *Discussion and agreement*

Lunch: 14.30 – 15.00

Session 5. Presentations by Partner organisations on ARD and the broader development context **15.00 -19h00**

5.1 ICRA: A case for harmonised donor support

Action :

- *Jon Daane (ICRA)*
- *Presentation and discussion*

5.2 Intellectual Property in the CGIAR

Documents :

- *Doc 12 - Briefing*

Action :

- *Jeroen Rijniers(Netherlands)*
- *Victoria Henson-Apollonio (CAS-IP, CGIAR)*
- *Presentation and discussion*

5.3 IAASTD: Main findings and implications for EIARD

Documents(background) :

- *Doc 13 – Global synthesis report*
- *Doc 14 – Global Summary for decision makers*

Action :

- *Hans Herren*
- *Presentation and discussion*

Informal dinner

19.30

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ANNEXE 3
PROGRESS REPORT BY NOVEMBER 2009 FROM PREVIOUS ECG MEETINGS
(In grey, actions done since the last meeting)

Reference	Action	By whom	Status	Results/Comments
ECG12/2	As part of the implementation of the revised EIARD Strategy, the WG to study how the work processes could be improved in EIARD, in particular the use of Task Forces and Leads.	WG	done	☒ See WG42/2
ECG14/1	ExSec to prepare a written annual report to be approved by the ECG	ExSec	to be done for ECG15	As EIARD has been without a substantive ExSec from April – October it may be difficult to complete for ECG 15.
ECG14/2	For the annual ECG report, ExSec to complement the third party bodies to which EIARD individuals are contributing to (e.g. ERA-ARD steering committee)	ExSec	to be done for ECG15	idem
ECG14/3	EIARD WG to study the link with European ARD organizations and networks (e.g. ECART and NATURA) as listed in the new EIARD Strategy activities	EIARD WG	to be done in 2009	idem
ECG14/4	EIARD WG to continue to support the TF SCAR/EIARD/ERA-ARD	EIARD WG	ongoing	☒ Replacement of Hakan Marstrop (see WG44/5)
ECG14/5	ExSec to send the revised version of the new EIARD Strategy to EIARD Members for approval by end of November.	ExSec	done	☒ New EIARD Strategy finalised
ECG14/6	EIARD Members to actively contact the CGIAR Members of the other continents to exchange views on the reform (e.g. Latin America).	ECG	done	☒ Contacts previously to AGM08 (e.g. Spain with FORAGRO)
ECG14/7	Chair to send the ECART/NATURA report to the CGIAR in the context of a contribution to the CGIAR reform.	Chair	done	☒ Letter sent to CGIAR members through CGIAR Director previously to AGM08
ECG14/8	EIARD Members to send to the ExSec the key issues they identified for the CGIAR reform by Monday Nov. 24th at the latest.	ECG	done	☒ EIARD position on the CGIAR Change Mgt Process finalised and delivered during the AGM08 Business Meeting.

ANNEXE 4 A

TASK FORCES

	Status	ECG Members	Representing
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TF SCAR/EIARD/ERA-ARD	<i>Active</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P. Petithuguenin • N Duran (tbc) • C. Hoste (tbc) • S. van Opstal • E. Fuhrmann • M. Collins (tbc) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>EIARD</i> • <i>EIARD</i> • <i>ERA-ARD</i> • <i>ERA-ARD</i> • <i>SCAR</i> • <i>SCAR</i>

LEADS

	Lead
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ECG MEMBERS
IN THIRD PARTY GOVERNING BODIES

Institution	Body	ECG Members	Representing
CGIAR	ExCo	ExCo Member: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. Wadsworth • R. Haug • M. Debois Alternates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P. Fabre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UK (and EIARD)</i> • <i>Norway</i> • <i>EC</i> • <i>France</i>
	Programme Committee of the Challenge Programme Generation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. Debois 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>EC</i>
GFAR	Donor Support Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J Wadsworth (chair and member of steering C.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UK</i>
	Steering Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. Debois 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>EC</i>
EFARD	Steering Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D. Radcliffe • P. Petithuguenin • P. Sarfatti • I. Faria de Almeida • P. Fabre • A. Sorensen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>EC/ExSec of Efard</i> • <i>EIARD</i> • <i>Italy</i> • <i>EC</i> • <i>France</i> • <i>Denmark</i>
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ICRA	Board of Trustees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P Petithuguenin • S. van Opstal • P. Bergeret 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>EIARD</i> • <i>Netherlands</i> • <i>France</i>
PAEPARD	Steering Committee (PAEPARD II, under preparation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D. Radcliffe • A. Sorensen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>EC</i> • <i>EFARD</i>

**ECG MEMBERS
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
CGIAR Consortium	Search committee for Board Chair and members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P Fabre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>France</i>
CGIAR TMT	Transition Management Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. Wadsworth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>UK</i>
CGIAR ISPC	Search committee for chair of ISPC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Haug 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Norway</i>
CGIAR	Member of board giving fellowships to Nars scientists	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Haug 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Norway</i>
FARA	Member of support committee resources group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P Fabre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>France</i>
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ANNEXE 4 B

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ANNEXE 5

Presentation of the EU Food security Thematic Programme, Research and Technology Component

(prepared for the meeting but postponed and finally not presented due to lack of time)

The EU FOOD SECURITY THEMATIC PROGRAMME Component on Research & Technology

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FOOD SECURITY THEMATIC PROGRAMME
[Under the Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI)- OJ L 378,
27.12.2007, p.41]

- **The objective of the FSTP is "to improve food security in favour of the poorest and the most vulnerable and contribute to achieving the first MDG"**
- **6 Strategic priorities (components). Focus on support the delivery of international public goods contributing to research and technology (comp. 1)**
- **Action at Two levels: Global & Continental/ regional. Need of complementarities (also with national level)!**



Where are we now with the FSTP ?

- The phase I, running until 2010 is just about to end.
- The Mid Term Review is finished- final report will be available in:

http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/how/finance/dci/food_en.htm

- Conclusions/ Recommendations for the phase II:

2011-2013:

- Support to ARD is shown to have a substantial long-term benefit in FS.
- Impact is slow and difficult to measure.
- Positive to support non CGIAR agriculture research for development.



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Period 2007-2010 Support at GLOBAL Level

CGIAR, Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research

<http://www.cgiar.org/>

67.5 €m (2008, covers 3 years)

+ Top-up 2010: 17,5m€

Evaluation of the EC contribution to CGIAR

Reform of the CGIAR system is on-going

GCARD, Montpellier 2010

NON CGIAR:

Call for proposals launched in 2009

Guidelines published, call is on-going

Deadline for submission proposals:15.01.2011

Approx. 23€m for 2009 & 2010



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Support at CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL level AFRICA: 36,5m€ (2008/2009/2010)



- **FARA** (Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa). 10€m
- **AFAAS**, African Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services, 1.5€m
- **CARBAP**, Centre Africain de Recherche sur Bananiers et Plantains, 2.5€m
- **ASARECA** (Association for Strengthening Agricultural research in Eastern and Central Africa) 4€m
- **ICPIPE** (International centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology) 1.5€m
- **PAEPARD** Platform for African – European Partnership on Agricultural Research for Development, Phase 2) 5.5€m
- **CORAF** (Conseil Ouest et Centre Africaine pour la Recherche et le Développement) 11.5€m

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Support at CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL level 2010

ASIA & LATIN AMERICA: 30 million €

- **Asia: 20m€ available**
Processes of identification and formulation are on-going. Call for proposals South and South East Asia+ comp. on networking & dissemination
- **Latin America: two regions targeted Central America & Andean Region**
5m€ for each of these two regions
They focus on innovation platforms. CIP and IICA (Inter American Institute of Cooperation for Agriculture)



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ANNEXE 6

ExCo 17 – Rome, Nov 09.

EIARD Headline messages and positions

Preamble

EIARD strongly supports the CGIAR reform, appreciates the efforts made by the CGIAR Secretariat, the Alliance, the TMT, and the donors, and expresses its congratulations for what has already been achieved in this reform process. We believe that the proposed institutional structure has the potential to improve coherence, efficiency and cost effectiveness of the CGIAR and enhance the real impacts on food security, environmental sustainability and poverty reduction. The existence of the reform process has enabled some European donors to maintain or even increase their support. There are still issues that need to be addressed, before the Business Meeting and in the period leading up to the first GCARD in March. We believe that, given the commitment of all parties, that these details will be resolved harmoniously.

CGIAR Fund Council and other financial issues

1. EIARD supports a fair and equitable distribution of seats on the Fund Council, which includes a representation for Europe that is consistent with our total contribution to the CGIAR. EIARD therefore supports the inaugural FC membership as presented during day 2 of ExCo17 (with 4 seats for Europe out of a total of 8 seats for donor countries), and its 6 key principles (see annex 1).
2. EIARD supports the idea of an "inaugural" Fund Council (for a three year transition period), so that enough time is given 1/ to identify appropriate incentives for donors putting unrestrictive funding in the systems, and 2/ to disclose each constituency rules for selecting its representatives. "Unrestricted" funding means funds allocated to window 1 (to the SRF) and to window 2 (to Mega Programs).
3. EIARD agrees with FAO membership of the inaugural FC.
4. EIARD appreciates the clear chain of fiduciary responsibility outlined in draft 6 of the Fund Framework Document. We thank the WB for the sample of draft administration agreements with donors that will help its members to check on their legal requirements.
5. Other financial issues: EIARD does not object to Centres being given flexibility to implement activities outside the SRF, so long as such work does not compromise the Centres ability to deliver on SRF and donors commitment to it. EIARD supports the implementation of a "full CG" cost financing system, in which bilateral funders or service purchasers cover the full cost of activities. EIARD also supports a flexible closing date for the institutional window, subject to review by the FC and Consortium.
6. EIARD looks forward to the estimate of the total CG System Cost, including direct, indirect and hidden costs that are expected by end of January 2010 and commends the Alliance and the CG secretariat for taking this initiative.). This will provide a baseline for comparing total cost between the old CG and the new CG System and identifying savings, for instance, in the common services.

Consortium Constitution:

7. EIARD wants a strong consortium as a legal entity with decision making and fiduciary responsibility, which is accountable for results at the system level. It should have a structure and staffing that is cost-effective and consistent with its mandate. EIARD considers that the power of the consortium, as described in the documents (draft 5), is “about right” to get the level of collective action required, and should certainly not be diluted.
8. EIARD supports the sense of ownership of the Consortium by CG Centres.

M&E Framework for the new CGIAR,

9. EIARD welcomes the draft M&E framework as an effort to bring greater coherence and consistency to M&E in the CGIAR, ensuring appropriate rigour, while minimising duplication and excessive reporting requirements.
10. EIARD supports the TMT proposal for an independent evaluation unit hosted by a multilateral organisation. We agree that independent evaluation can only be ensured if there is a true separation from policy making processes. It is, however, critical that the individuals assigned to the independent evaluation unit have the scientific and development expertise necessary to guide the evaluation processes.
11. EIARD thanks the Alliance-Donors WG on M&E for working towards a new draft for this document describing the M&E framework, document that should be ready by beginning of December 09. EIARD considers that the M&E framework proposed fits the expectations and requirements and is adequately streamlined.

The Independent Science and Partnership Council

12. EIARD believes that the main function of ISPC should be to provide high quality independent advice to the Fund Council. It should also support the CGIAR in providing foresight on emerging trends.
13. EIARD considers that ISPC's role in M&E should be confined to *ex ante* appraisals of proposals from the Consortium to the Fund Council. Ex post evaluation should be carried out by an independent evaluation arrangement located within a multilateral institution.
14. EIARD believes that the partnership element of ISPC should focus on science partnerships, rather than attempt to address the broader stakeholder partnerships which are the responsibility of the Consortium in collaboration with GFAR. EIARD supports the position that the partnership component of ISPC is complementary to GFAR, not duplicating it. There must be a sense of shared responsibilities between ISPC and GFAR on this key factor of efficient partnership for high quality and relevant research and improved impact within the new CG System.

Towards a Strategy and Results Framework Progress Report 5

15. EIARD appreciates the difficulties of defining the international agricultural research for development agenda at the macro-level and commends Progress Report 5 for making a good first attempt.
16. EIARD appreciate the efforts of the Alliance for developing the SRF and is interested by the new methodology (in 3 stages) presented during ExCo17.

17. We regard the identification of MPs as 'work in progress', which should not be rushed to achieve unrealistic deadlines.
18. EIARD strongly recognises the need to incorporate demand, from a policy and grassroots perspective into this process. The outcomes of the GCARD process should inform the structuring and design of the eventual mega programme portfolio.
19. EIARD welcomes the attempt to focus on top level development-relevant indicators such as increased productivity, reduced hunger, sustainable use of natural resources, women's involvement and NARS capacity building. These are clearly the sorts of impact that we would like to see. However there is much work to be done on working out the impact pathways through which Mega Programmes might deliver results in these areas.

Other issues

20. EIARD supports the objective to revise the existing text of the "Joint Declaration", in order to make it shorter and more motivating, and will liaise with Its members to get this new version approved by 23rd Nov 09.
21. EIARD support the initiative to create a small working group, between donors and Centres, to revise all documents for clarity, coherency and adequate tone.

Annex : The 6 key principles for Fund Council composition

1. Donor country seats will take into account recognition of share of their funding (not exact proportionality) and regional balance. This will recognize over time unrestricted or program funding
2. Maintain North-South balance
3. Constituencies are free to rotate their seats according to their own rules (which should be defined and shared for information at the business meeting in the interest of transparency, not decision)
4. In the event that a southern constituency does not have a qualifying Fund donor, a regional organization should be asked to manage a process that will decide on a fund Council representative to serve until a qualifying member emerges
5. Members will be expected to disclose and manage conflict of interest
6. Effectiveness of the Fund Council will be reviewed as part of the external review of the System in three years, and suggested revisions might be proposed to change Fund Council composition. In this case, a special meeting including all Fund members will be called to decide on any changes (as needed).

ANNEXE 7

Chair's powerpoint presentation on rules for EIARD representation at the CGIAR Fund Council

ECG 15 Eschborn

EIARD representation on CGIAR Fund Council

What do we want to achieve?

- EIARD members to align on a fair, transparent and effective way of allocating seats that will serve our collective interest in getting the best possible development outcomes from european investments in CGIAR:
- We need to align on three issues:
 - 1. Eligibility Criteria for seats on Fund Council
 - 2. Principles for rotation of seats
 - 3. Who will be on inaugural Fund Council

1. Eligibility criteria

- Active member of EIARD WG
- At least 75% funding through Fund or \$xxm in previous year (windows 1 and 2)
- Minimum \$500,000 through Fund in previous year
- Capacity to discharge duties

2. Principles for seat rotation

- All eligible EIARD members have equal opportunity of rotation
- Aim to get a mix of sizes of donors to occupy the 4 seats
- Seats are institutional.
- Alternates - yes
- Should EIARD Chair have an automatic seat for duration of office? No

3. Inaugural Fund Council

- Which EIARD WG members are eligible?
- More than 50% unrestricted funding in 2009? - no
- Continuity and follow on from ExCo and change process engagement + new blood.
- Time availability for demanding job
- Confidence and support of EIARD members

ANNEXE 8

Note of information on a new initiative on ARD launched by the government of Finland.

The ministry for foreign affairs (MFA) has launched new financing instruments development cooperation

1) The most important new instrument is a development policy framework aiming at strengthening partnership between Finland and Africa

The objective of the programme is to create a strategic frame of reference for strengthening partnership between Finland and Africa through development policy measures. According to the programme African continent is the most important focal point of Finland's development policy. The framework programme creates the guidelines for increasing support to Africa's own development efforts. The programme examines cooperation between Finland and Africa from continent-wide, regional and country-specific perspectives. In future, however, the trend will be to emphasise the continent-wide perspective.

1a) Under the new Africa programme MFA is presently planning a regional programme for improving food security in Western and Eastern Africa through collaboration on research and education

The programme aims to support collaboration on agricultural research and education between a network of partners: CG centres and local research institutions and universities in Finland and African partner countries. The participating CGIAR institutes are International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), International Food Policy Institute (IFPRI), Bioversity International and International Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF). The Finnish actors are MTT Agrifood research, the University of Helsinki and two polytechnic schools.

The objective is to improve agricultural knowledge and skills contributing to improvement of agricultural yields and food security in the region. The programme will complement the ongoing Finnish core funding to CGIAR institutes.

The geographical focus of the programme is Western and Eastern Africa, the duration four years and the available budget between 5-10 million Euros. The programme implementation is expected to start during the second half of the year 2010.

1b) Another programme that is also at a planning stage under the Africa programme is regional forest-climate projects with ICRAF:

The new projects will support the programmes of the CG centers, which are aimed at improving the ability of the small farmers to adapt to climate change and strengthen their role in mitigating the climate change in collaboration with the rural villages. Preparation of Cooperation Initiatives is presently underway with ICRAF. Strong forestry expertise of Finland brings added value to the programme and allows for cooperation with Finnish research institutes. According to preliminary plans financing could reach 5-10 million during the next four years. The project is intended to target the western and eastern Africa, but otherwise the design is still at an early stage.

2) Another financial instrument that has also been launched this year by MFA is an Institutional Co-operation Instrument ICI

ICI offers an opportunity for Finnish government agencies to take part in development cooperation. The objective is to strengthen the skills and know-how of government actors, such as ministries and universities

in the developing countries. The action resembles twinning: a developing country actor cooperates with a Finnish government agency.

The Finnish agency and its employees take official liability for the implementation of the projects. There are no limitations for topics but the need must have been identified in a partner country and a certain project can be implemented in one country at a time. Priority will be given to Finland's long-term partners countries. Duration must be at least one year but the Ministry prefers reasonably long projects at least 2 to 3 years. Maximum budget is 500 000 euro.

Cooperation Instrument for the Universities

Under the new Universities Act, which was passed by Parliament in June 2009, Finnish universities will become independent corporations under public law or foundations under private law. Therefore from the beginning of 2010 the Finnish universities are not eligible for implementing ICI projects and for this reason MFA will prepare a similar new instrument for the universities.

ANNEXE 8

Presentation (ppt) on one EC initiatives in the field of ARD : the Research and Technology component of the EU Food Security Thematic Programme.



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