

**CONSULTATIVE GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

TAC 81

CIFOR, Bogor, Indonesia – 24-29 September, 2001

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

Item 1: Opening Session

a) Opening Remarks

The TAC Chair will formally declare the 81st meeting of TAC open and welcome the participants and observers. The Director-General of CIFOR, Dr. David Kaimovitz, will welcome participants on behalf of the Centre.

b) Adoption of TAC 80 Report

The report of TAC 80 will be adopted with or without amendments.

c) Matters arising from TAC 80

Matters arising from the report of TAC 80 which do not appear on the agenda of TAC 81 will be raised. The Chair will decide how to schedule the discussion of such matters.

d) Adoption of the Agenda

The provisional agenda for TAC 81 will be considered and adopted with or without amendments. The Chair will invite suggestions for new topics to be considered under Agenda Item 10, "Other Business".

e) Report from the CGIAR

The Director of the CGIAR will report on major developments in the System since TAC 80.

Item 2: Report from MTM01

The TAC Chair will brief the Members on the outcome of the MTM01, highlighting matters relevant to TAC on issues raised by CGIAR Members, Co-sponsors and Stakeholders other than those listed on the agenda. TAC Members who attended the MTM01 will also report on their impression of the meeting.

Item 3: Implementation of MTM01 Decisions

The Committee will discuss the transformation of TAC into a Science Council and the outcome of the meeting of the Interim Executive Council held on 7-8 September 2001. In the light of the report prepared by the Task Force on Science Council, TAC will also consider the reports from the Task Forces on Science Council, Challenge Programmes and System Governance (Executive Council and System Office). It will consider the implications of these reports and make its views available to the CGIAR.

Item 4: Reviews of Centre and Systemwide Programmes

(a) Fifth External Programme and Management Programme Review of IITA

Dr. Ken Cassman, Panel Chair of the 5th EPMR of IITA will present the report of the External Review Panel, highlighting its major findings and recommendations. TAC will consider the report together with the Centre's Management and Board response, and prepare a commentary for consideration by the CGIAR at AGM 2001.

(b) First External Review of the Systemwide Programme on Integrated Pest Management

Dr. Andrew Gutierrez, Panel Chair of the first TAC Review of the Systemwide Programme on IPM will present the report of the Panel and highlight its major findings and recommendations. TAC will consider the report together with the Programme Management and IITA Board response, and prepare a commentary for consideration by the CGIAR at AGM 2001.

(c) ILRI CCER on the Systemwide Livestock Programme

Dr. Jock Anderson, Panel Chair of the ILRI CCER on the Systemwide Livestock Programme will present the report of the Panel through a video. TAC will interact with the Panel Chair through a teleconference, and consider the ILRI Board and Programme Management response in discussing the report. The Committee will decide how the CCER contributes to the evaluation of this Programme and make appropriate recommendation for the next step.

Item 5: Financing Plans

The individual Centre Financing Plans for the year 2002 Research Agenda from the 16 CGIAR Centres will have been reviewed by TAC in a virtual mode at the end of August 2001 in the context of CGIAR priorities and Centre Medium-Term Plans for the period of 2002-2004. The Committee will have prepared a report for the Interim Executive Council meeting on 7-8 September 2001. TAC will adopt its report on Centre Financing Plans submitted to the Interim Executive Council.

Item 6: Report from the Standing Panel on Impact Assessment (SPIA)

The Chair of SPIA will introduce a report on the Standing Panel's activities highlighting the state of progress and results. Notable among these impact studies are: germplasm, poverty, environment, and future activities. The implications of the results of SPIA's work for strategic

planning in the CGIAR will also be considered. TAC will discuss the report and comment on the on-going and future studies of the Panel.

Item 7: Report from the Standing Committee on External Reviews (SCOER)

The Chair of SCOER will introduce a report on the Standing Committee's activities, highlighting progress on planning, organisation, and/or implementation of the EPMRs of CIP, ISNAR, ICRISAT and IPGRI, as well as the external reviews of ASB, PR&GA, SWNM and a stripe study of capacity strengthening within the CGIAR. TAC will take decisions, as appropriate, to facilitate implementation of these reviews. The Committee will also consider an update on the Evaluation Proposal, a revisit of the CCER ToR and a report on the TAC Roster of Scientists in the context of the proposed role of the Science Council.

Item 8: Report from the Standing Committee on Priorities and Strategies (SCOPAS)

The Chair of SCOPAS will introduce a report on the Standing Committee's activities with particular attention to: (a) Regional Approach to Research (b) IFPRI Study on CGIAR Research and Poverty Reduction (c) Water Management Research (d) Biosafety and Bioethics (e) NRM/GIS follow up, and (f) Progress on proposed studies and activities. The Committee will discuss the report and these activities in the context of the CGIAR's new vision, and the transformation of TAC into a Science Council, and comment on the future directions of the Standing Committee's work.

Item 9 Future meetings

TAC will reconfirm and/or amend dates and venues for the following meetings subject to ongoing discussion on the transformation of TAC into a Science Council:

TAC 82	CIP, Lima	8-12 April 2002
TAC 83	FAO, Rome	23-27 September 2002
TAC 84	WARDA, Bouake	24-28 March 2003

Item 10: Other Business

The Committee will consider other items raised during the course of the opening session. These items include: (a) the International Undertaking on Genetic Resources for Food and Agricultural Up-date; (b) Integrated Natural Resources Management Workshop at CIAT, August 2001; (c) Water Symposium, August 2001, Stockholm; (d) Conference on Sustainable Food Security for All, September 2001, Bonn, Germany; (e) World Food Summit, Five Years Later, November 2001, Rome; and (f) World Summit on Sustainable Development, Rio + 10, September 2002, Johannesburg.