

ILRI Interim Strategy 2011–2012: Summary

In the midst of much institutional change, the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) has modified its long-term strategy to 2010 to guide its work during an interim two-year period, 2011 through 2012. During this time ILRI management and board will revisit and reformulate the long-term strategy, taking account of changes in the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR).

ILRI will align its capacities to support a subset of new CGIAR Research Programs. ILRI has important responsibility for leading the program on livestock and fish value chains. During the interim strategy period, ILRI will determine how its competencies can best be deployed to support the overall CGIAR research portfolio as it evolves.

ILRI will at the same time strengthen its roles within the wider global livestock-research-for-development community in the areas of intensifying mixed farming systems and controlling livestock diseases, and it will intensify its efforts to provide decision-makers with pro-poor livestock options.

ILRI will position livestock research for greater benefits to the poor through the following mechanisms:

1. More emphasis on development outcomes.
2. More research embedded in large development projects in which research serves a small, albeit critical, role.
3. More emphasis on both partnerships with research, development and private-sector entities involving shared agendas, roles, funding and accountabilities.
4. More emphasis on developing smarter outreach and communications approaches that 'spill over' lessons and benefits from one region to others.

During the two-year transition period covered by this interim strategy, ILRI will focus on the following implementation tasks:

Management: ILRI will align its research management structure with its new responsibilities in the CGIAR Research Programs and take on full-cost accounting to manage programs, guide resource allocations and increase operational efficiencies.

People: ILRI will align both the research and 'soft' skills of its human resources to meet the demands and challenges of implementing the CGIAR Research Programs.

Partnerships: ILRI will engage with selected partners, each with clearly defined resources and accountabilities, and work in high-priority livestock value chains.

Communications: ILRI will utilize interactive communication vehicles for continual engagement with staff, partners and donors.



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