"GFAR and the GCARD: Transforming Agricultural Research for Development"
(Presentation by Monty Jones, GFAR Chair)

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Presentation on GCARD 2012

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GFAR and the GCARD: Transforming Agricultural Research for Development

The Global Forum on Agricultural Research
Outline

- Background to the GCARD process
- Overview of GCARD 1 (2010)
- GCARD 2012
  - Programmatic thrust
  - Update on Preparations
  - Funding requirements
Why GCARD?

- Why hasn’t existing knowledge better benefited the poor?
- Why have many apparently effective technologies not been adopted?
- Why isn’t agricultural innovation better valued in development?
- How can we build more collective action towards large scale development impacts?
GFAR – the Multi-stakeholder Catalyst for:

- Advocacy for change
- Transforming Institutions for the Future
- Inter-regional collective action
- Knowledge for All

**G8 Statement on Food Security 2009:**

“We support the fundamental reform processes underway in the global agricultural research system through the Global Forum on Agricultural Research"
CGIAR – a new vision

To reduce poverty and hunger, improve human health and enhance ecosystem resilience through high-quality international agricultural research, partnership and leadership.

CGIAR Strategic Objectives

- **FOOD FOR PEOPLE**
- **ENVIRONMENT FOR PEOPLE**
- **POLICIES FOR PEOPLE**
New Global Partnership

- **GCARD process**: led and managed by GFAR in collaboration with the CGIAR

- **Inclusive**: Active engagement with all stakeholders engaged in agricultural innovation
  - GFAR constituency

- **Shared responsibility** for development outcomes
Developmental impact: knowledge and technology are essential but not sufficient.
Objectives of the GCARD process

1. Facilitate alignment of the research agenda with development needs of the resource-poor

2. Advocate for more effective investment for AR&D

3. Facilitate dialogue between diverse stakeholders on innovation pathways

4. Promote the integration of the international agricultural research systems with national systems.
GCARD: a 6-year cycle

With a conference held every two years

GCARD 2016
New cycle starts

GCARD 2018

GCARD 3
2014

GCARD 1
2010

GCARD 2
2012
GCARD 2010 & the CGIAR

- Aligning CGIAR’s research towards national and global development goals

- Increasing the speed & scale of development impact from CGIAR investments

- Clarifying the CGIAR’s most valuable niche in the ARD system

- Strengthening accountability of CGIAR to intended end-users & beneficiaries
The GCARD 2010 Process

- Regional Reviews
- E-Consultations
- Face to Face Workshops
- Regional Recommendations
- CGIAR Results and Strategic Framework
- CGIAR Consortium Programs
- Draft Action Plan and Road Map
- GCARD Global Report on Transformation of AR4D Systems
- GCARD Conference
- GCARD Synthesis Report and Proceedings
- GCARD Roadmap
Regional Face-to-face Consultations
The Conference in Montpellier

Plenary and Panel sessions
Breakout sessions on 8 priority issues
The GCARD Roadmap

- Provides a pathway for action to transform and strengthen agricultural innovation systems by all involved

- Transformation is organized around 6 principles
1. Inclusively define priorities and actions, driven by development needs

2. Invest in equitable partnership & accountability among all stakeholders

3. Achieve increased investments to meet development needs;

4. Develop the required human & institutional capacities;

5. Supporting embedding of innovation in development programs & policies;

6. Involve stakeholders in M&E and reporting of outcomes.
Feedback from GCARD 1 & lessons

- Majority of participants judged GCARD 2010 to be a very successful meeting

- Representation of the actors (CG, women, private sector)

- Need to include more scientific content & more development-related issues

- Strengthen link between the Science Forum & GCARD
GCARD 2012
It was expected that by 2012 ....

- All CRPs will be approved and beginning operations

- Reform process will have advanced from designing proposals to an operational plan with relevant partners

- Actions of R&D partners beginning to be mobilized towards system transformation

- Practical delivery for impact becomes a challenge for all
Proposed Venue: Punta del Este, Uruguay

Date: October 2012

Proposed Theme: Innovations for greater impacts on smallholder farmers’ livelihoods
Challenges to be addressed by GCARD 2

- Tracking progress against the 6 GCARD Roadmap transformative actions
- Exploring the challenges in achieving the 4 system-level outcomes in the CGIAR SRF
Meeting structure

- Address the interface of:
  - building inclusive partnerships for large scale impacts
  - system transformations required to achieve desired development impact

- Provide stakeholders an opportunity for direct interaction, & networking to better coordinate their actions

- Develop commitments to subsequent actions in each region and globally

- Policy forum and foresight session

- Funders forum (SRF)
Some questions for GCARD 2

1. Overcoming practical challenges faced in aiming for large-scale impacts?

2. How to build inclusive partnership in the CRPs?

3. How do we show impacts through NR system research and measure resilience?

4. Translating research outputs to development outcomes?

5. How can we build increased national commitments?

6. Embedding innovation in development processes and investments
Focus on new partnerships in AR4D

- Partnership between N-S and S-S (BRICS)
- Farmers and market opportunities (contract farming, PPPs, value addition)
- Role of Non-CGIAR international centres
- Global actions in education and capacity development (GCHERA)
- Strengthening advisory services (GFRAS)
- New partnerships in post-conflict innovation
- Farmers as innovators for scaling out impacts
Organizing Committee

GFAR Programme Committee: Chair

- CGIAR Consortium
- CGIAR Centres
- Regional Fora x 3
- IFAD
- FAO
- Farmers
- Private sector
- Host country
- CSOs
- Donors
Funding for GCARD 2

- Meeting costs to CGIAR Consortium to be less than previous direct costs of AGM

- Format to minimize organizational costs & enable diverse and wide interaction

- Sponsorship of farmers and developing country partners to ensure diverse participation

  ⇒ (ca. USD1 million for 300)
### Anticipated Funding Sources

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## GCARD 2010 costs

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