

## **CGIAR Mid-Term Meeting 1999**

### **Chairman's Nine Propositions**

#### **Proposition #1**

This mid-term meeting will bring consideration of the third System Review to closure and, in doing so, will launch the implementation of all the action proposals emanating from that review, as amended and adopted by the Group.

#### **Proposition #2**

The Group endorses the recommendations for the strategic orientation of research priorities, as well as the ideas for expanded science partnerships, formulated and being further developed by TAC and the centers.

#### **Proposition #3**

The Group encourages the centers, in order to become effective partners in existing knowledge networks, to strengthen their databases, present their findings in a more user-friendly fashion, and expand their use of information technology, both for communication and dissemination.

#### **Proposition #4**

The Group welcomes the consultations between the centers and African NARS leaders, encourages all those engaged in this exercise to continue their discussions in a practical manner, and to present specific proposals for consideration by the Group at ICW99.

#### **Proposition #5**

The Group endorses the financing proposals of the Finance Committee, and requests the FC Chair to table at ICW99 a long-term funding strategy, a structure for implementing that strategy, and for managing the public awareness component of fund raising.

#### **Propositions #6**

The Group endorses the governance recommendations presented by the Consultative Council, specifically, the continued role of the cosponsors, the need to further strengthen the working of TAC, to fold IAEG into TAC, to redefine the composition and activities of the GRPC, and to create a new Science Partnership Committee; and requests that a progress report on actions taken be tabled at ICW99 for information.

Proposition #7

*The Group welcomes the commitment expressed by the Bank, and decides to await further action after ICW99, based on the results of the UNESCO election.*

Proposition #8

*The Group recognizes that the Consultative Council operated very well, and empowers the Chairman to call the council into session as and when required.*

Proposition #9

The CGIAR will make a special effort to seek out talent of greater gender and national diversity in all key positions of the system, without compromising quality and standards.