

5th CGIAR Integrated Partnership Board (IPB) Meeting
16 May 2025, Virtual

Agenda Item 05	● Governance Matters: Receive update on the revision process and timeline for the CGIAR Charter/Framework and Internal Rules Framework
Distribution notice:	Restricted to Members and Active Observers until deliberations are concluded
Issue date:	9 May 2025
Purpose:	For information
Requested action:	Input
Background summary:	Following the System Board’s adoption of targeted amendments to the Charter of the CGIAR System Organization and the CGIAR System Framework at its 29Z meeting (27 September 2024) — representing the first set of changes arising from the Unified Governance Review (UGR) recommendations — CGIAR has now launched the next phase of work. This phase involves a structured, timebound process to carry out a broader revision of both governing instruments and to finalize the CGIAR Internal Rules Framework, building on feedback from the 2024 amendment process. As requested by the IPB during its meeting on 11-12 April 2025 and to support this effort, the Executive Managing Director is convening a renewed Governance Working Group, including designated leads from each constituency — the IPB, System Council, and Centers — as well as a core drafting team of legal and governance experts led by the General Counsel of the System Organization. This item outlines an update of the proposed approach.
Draft decision point:	N/A
Supporting documents:	Terms of Reference – Amendments to CGIAR’s governing instruments and finalization of the Internal Rules Framework in 2025
Submitted by:	General Counsel