



Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR)

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STAKEHOLDER MEETING
October 29 – 30, 2003

Agenda Item 6. Stakeholder Interaction on Key Issues

- (c) The CGIAR Moving Forward:
 - (i) CGIAR Open University Program;
 - (ii) CGIAR Strategy on INRM

Background/Process:

- (i) This session will introduce and discuss the concept of Global Agricultural Open University and receive feedback from the CGIAR stakeholders. The Global Agricultural Open University is an initiative that is being developed by the CGIAR centers. It aims to provide professional and applied academic teaching in partnership with regional and national institutions to enhance research and analytical capacities necessary sustainable use of natural resources, enhanced agricultural capacity and improved food and nutrition security in the developing countries.
- (ii) Participants in this session will hear a report from the Chair of the system-wide Task Force on Integrated Natural Resource Management (INRM) on the results of the Nairobi workshop held on Oct 20-21, 2003 at the World Agroforestry Center. The workshop aimed to discuss the following: 1) Mainstreaming INRM into major agricultural research programs and the challenge programs - identify needs, discuss strategies for moving forward, provide specific inputs for selected programs (such as a framework booklet), and plan next steps; (2) Building productive relationships between the major agricultural research programs in Africa, including the challenge programs; (3) Assessing the impact of NRM, building a strategy for the CGIAR and supporting the latest Standing Panel on Impact Assessment (SPIA) round of case studies.

Document:

1. Parallel Session C Draft Program

Comments: