

CGIAR Annual General Meeting
Parallel Sessions - Stakeholder Interaction on Key Issues
October 29, 2003 - 16:30 – 18:00
UNON Conference Center

Session A. Issues in Poverty Alleviation
Venue: Conf. Room 2

Co-Chairs: Paul Spray (UK) and
Romano Kiome (Kenya)
Recording Secretary: Tim Kelley (SC Secretariat)

Draft Program

(i) CGIAR's Impact on Poverty: Results of SPIA/IFPRI Study (70 minutes)

This part of the session will deal with the impacts of agricultural research on poverty, both its reduction and prevention. It will report the key results of a SPIA-supported, IFPRI-led project to understand better how the CGIAR research impacts on poverty. It will provide an overview of seven impact assessment case studies. The presentation will highlight the results and the lessons learned and address how agricultural research can improve the ways in which it impacts the poor and assesses its impacts.

Overview of the project	Hans Gregersen, Chair, SPIA (5 min)
Project synthesis	Ruth Meinzen-Dick (IFPRI) (15 min)
Kenya case study	Frank Place (ICRAF) (10 min)
Discussion	

(ii) Poverty Mapping: Progress Report and Strategy for the Future (20 minutes)

Poverty mapping can help international development organizations to geographically target research and development resources to the people that most need them. New developments in geographic information science and technology enable comprehensive analyses of the geographic dimensions of poverty and food security. This session will report on recent progress and discuss the need for new efforts in this area of research. The speakers will discuss a proposed strategy for coordinated action to support poverty mapping for sustainable development.

Opening remarks	Dietrich Leihner (FAO)
Global poverty mapping strategy	Douglas Pachico (CIAT)
	Bakary Kante (UNEP)