



CGIAR AGM Business Meeting 2008

Maputo, Mozambique, December 4-5, 2008

Agenda Item: 4.a. Integrated CGIAR Reform Proposal

Background Information/Issue(s):

1. At AGM07, the CGIAR agreed to proceed with the Change Management Process. A Change Steering Team (CST) and four Working Groups (WGs)—on Visioning, Partnerships, Governance and Financing Mechanisms—were established.
2. A kick-off retreat was held in February 2008, followed by a visioning retreat in April 2008, which included consultation with a broad group of stakeholders to benefit from their perspectives.
3. The approved visioning report, “Visioning the Future of the CGIAR” guided the work of the other Working Groups, who presented their findings and recommendations on partnerships (WG2), governance (WG3), and funding mechanisms (WG4) to a group of stakeholders at a retreat in September 2008.
4. Based on feedback from the retreat, the Change Steering Team developed a set of “foundation pieces”, drawn from the recommendations of the WGs and the Independent Review Panel, to serve as building blocks for an integrated change plan.
5. Extensive stakeholder engagement to build support for the recommendation has also been undertaken throughout the process.
6. The integrated reform proposal was presented at ExCo 15 in October 2008.
7. ExCo agreed in principle to the direction of the Change Management Process (see ExCo 15 recommendations to the CGIAR). The CST was tasked to address several issues identified by ExCo and submit a revised proposal for consideration at AGM08.
8. CST Chair Rodney Cooke and Co-Chair Jonathan Wadsworth will present the team's recommendations. WG Chairs will also be available to provide input to the discussion.

Supporting Document(s):

1. A Revitalized CGIAR—A New Way Forward: The Integrated Reform Proposal
2. Summary of ExCo 15 Discussion and Recommendations to the CGIAR on CGIAR Change Management Process

Full Reports/Background Documents (on web only):

1. CGIAR Change Management Website (Working Group reports are available on the front page of the change management website)

Purpose of this Communication

Information

Discussion

Decision

Outcome

No further action required

Approved/accepted

Additional information required

Referred to the next meeting

See comments below

Comments

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