PROLINNOVA and GCARD 2

Foresight and partnership for research, innovation and impact

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About GCARD

- GCARD is the Global Conference on Agricultural Research for Development.
- First GCARD held in 2010 at Montpellier, France.
- GCARD replaces the GFAR Triennial Conferences and the Annual General Meetings of the CGIAR.
- GCARD is a multi-stakeholder 6-year process towards transforming agricultural research to have greater impact for development.
- ► GCARDs are organized biennially: second GCARD meeting in October-November 2012.

Objectives of GCARD

- Agricultural research outputs are accessible and relevant to the poor in developing countries.
- Research is driven by the development needs of the resource-poor.
- Knowledge generation through scientific research is embedded in development thinking and practice.
- Funding systems are better aligned between research and development.
- Constructive and effective innovation pathways are developed between diverse stakeholders.
- International agricultural research systems are more effectively integrated and are responsive and accountable for development impact.

GCARD 1 focussed on

- What are the development needs where agricultural research for development (ARD) can play its best role?
- How best do we turn research into development impacts at scale?
- How can more effective pathways be developed to create impact for the poor?
- What investments, institutions, policies and capacities are necessary?

Outcome of GCARD 1: GCARD roadmap

The Roadmap aims to transform ARD around the world to achieve large-scale impact. Success demands:

- 1. All stakeholders work more effectively together.
- 2. Capacities and investments required are put in place.
- 3. Millions of resource-poor farmers in diverse environments form part of innovation processes from the outset.
- 4. ARD and related knowledge sharing is embedded in the wider development agenda.

GCARD 2

The focus of GCARD 2 is on "Delivering the Change":

- Where are we today?
- How are we making these changes happen?
- What impacts can we show?
- What can be done better and how?
- Take stock of progress and experiences in developing and strengthening actions and partnerships, transforming innovation processes to achieve large-scale development impacts, in particular on the livelihoods of resource-poor smallholder farmers.

Key elements of GCARD 2

Reflect on:

- Partnerships required for implementation and impact of CGIAR research programmes (CRPs)
- Capacities required in research for development systems to turn innovation into impact
- Opportunities for interaction and partnership around other programmes – national and global
- Links between agricultural innovation and *market* opportunities for smallholder farmers
- ▶ How innovation can better serve the needs of *women*

Expected outcomes of GCARD 2

- Progress and learning tracked in regard to the GCARD Roadmap
- Collective actions identified to take forward improved foresight, partnerships and capacity building globally in ARD
- Mutual accountability improved for all the stakeholders

Space for CSOs to contribute

- Interaction on CSO-GARD e-list for CSOs
- CSO GARD page on GFAR website
- Steering Committee and Organizing Committee of GCARD 2
- Pre-conference meeting of CSOs: 28 October 2012
- Marketplace
- Pre-GCARD thematic conferences and other opportunities at regional level
- Thematic presentation and participation in GCARD 2

PROLINNOVA and GCARD

- PROLINNOVA is a Global Partnership Programme of the GFAR with experience in facilitating multistakeholder ARD platforms.
- ► Experience, successes and failures of PROLINNOVA need to be shared with the global community.
- Opportunity for contributions at the regional level through FARA, APAARI, FORAGRO &ARINENA.
- Display of documents at marketplace.

How will Prolinnova contribute to GCARD2?

Discussion and generation of action points/commitments ...

