

#### **PROCINORTE Secretariat**

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#### AGENDA

# XVIII MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PROCINORTE

INIFAP HQ – "Sala de Juntas Dirección General" Mexico City, Mexico October 24 - 25, 2016

# Meeting objectives:

- 1. Review the activities and accomplishments of the Task Forces for the current year.
- 2. Review and decide on PROCINORTE's work plan and budget for 2017.

# **Expected results:**

- 1. Members of PROCINORTE are familiar with challenges, opportunities and achievements related to PROCINORTE's operations.
- 2. Individual Task Force work plans and budgets approved.
- 3. Overall Work plan and budget for 2017 approved.

## Meeting Agenda

Sunday 23: Arrival of participants in Mexico City (Hotel Holiday Inn Parroquia).					
Monday 24	Topic	Methodology	Expected results		
9:00 – 9:15	Opening Session - Dr. Gilles Saindon, President of PROCINORTE  • Welcome, salutations and apologies for absence.				
9:15 – 9:20	Approval of agenda - Dr. Gilles Saindon				
9:20 – 9:50	Presentation on INIFAP, Dr. Luis Fernando Flores				
9:50 – 10:00	Minutes XVII Meeting of PROCINORTE BOD - Dr. Gilles Saindon		Minutes of XVII Meeting approved.		
10:00 – 10:30	Matters arising from the Minutes & Action Plan	Dr. Audia Barnett, Executive Secretary of PROCINORTE reviews decisions from XVII <sup>th</sup> meeting and informs on follow up.	Satisfactory follow-up conducted by the Secretariat		
10:30 - 11:00	COFFEE BREAK				
11:00 – 11:45	Report on GFAR and FORAGRO  Dr. Maria Rodriguez  Deputy Director Technical  Cooperation, IICA	Board discusses modalities for collaboration with other PROCIs, FORAGRO.	BOD decide on measures to promote the synergies between PROCINORTE and other hemispheric bodies and agree to implement some best practices.		
11:45 – 12:30	Contributions to FORAGRO Executive Meeting Dr. Gilles Saindon	Board discusses upcoming FORAGRO Executive Meeting scheduled for Costa Rica in November.	Recommendations on the restructuring of FORAGRO.		
12:30 – 2:00	LUNCH				











2:00 – 4:00	<ul> <li>Reports from Task Forces 2016 and Proposed actions for 2017.</li> <li>Plant Health: Dr. Della Johnston (AAFC, Canada)</li> <li>Animal Health: Dr. Cyril Gay (ARS, USA)</li> <li>Tree Fruits: Dr. Peter Toivonen (AAFC, Canada)</li> <li>NORGEN: Dr. Axel Diederichsen (AAFC, Canada)</li> </ul>	Report by chairs of the Task Forces followed by general discussion.  * A short report on accomplishments, plans and proposed budgets is distributed to board members.	Board members knowledgeable about the PROCINORTE's technical achievements in the current priority topics and hear from leaders on the challenges faced and ideas to move forward	
4:00 – 4:45	Summary Report Executive Secretary		To review the activities undertaken by the Secretariat during 2016.	
4:45 - 5:00	Closure first day – Summary – Dr. Gilles Saindon			
6:00 – 8:00	Official dinner + GROUP PHOTO Restaurante "Los Tres Caballos" Address: Av Circunvalacion 34, Coyoacán, Atlántida, 04370 Ciudad de México, D.F., Mexico.			



Tuesday 25					
	Topic	Methodology	Expected results		
8:30 – 9:00	2017 Work plan and budget	Performance on 2016 Work Plan	Work plan and budget for 2017 approved by BOD.		
9:00 – 9:30	Monitoring & Evaluation Proposal (ES)	Proposed M & E plan presented & feedback obtained	Process for M&E approved.		
9:30 – 10:15	<ul> <li>Additional Business and Closing</li> <li>Proposal for new Task Force</li> <li>Next PROCINORTE meeting (Date &amp; Place)</li> <li>Closing Remarks</li> </ul>		Board members review new proposals. Next meeting date and place is defined.		
10:15 – 10:30	COFFEE BREAK				
Participants depart for CIMMYT (Km. 45, Carretera México-Veracruz, El Batán, Texcoco CP 56237)					
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch	Hosted by CIMMYT in Guest house			
1:00 – 1:30	Welcome & CIMMYT Presentation Dr. Kevin Pixley, Director of the Genetic Resources Program	Board meeting room	Information shared on the Key Activities of CIMMYT.		
1:30 – 2:00	Global Wheat Program  Dr. Ravi Singh, Distinguished Scientist	Board meeting room	Increased awareness on the benefits of becoming a country member of the Global Wheat Program.		
2:00 – 2:30	Potential of a trilateral collaboration on wheat improvement with focus on heat and drought (HeDWIC)  Dr. Mathew Reynolds, Head Wheat Physiology	Board meeting room	Benefits of trilateral collaboration on wheat improvement are shared.		
2:30 – 3:00	Sustainable Intensification Strategy for Latin America Dr. Bram Govaerts, CIMMYT Regional Representative for Latin America	Board meeting room	The CIMMYT Strategy for Latin America is shared.		
3:00 – 3:30	Visit the Wellhausen-Anderson Plant Genetic Resources Center Dr. Bibiana Espinosa, Associate Scientist, Wheat Germplasm Bank	Tour of the facilities	Members obtain first-hand view of the most diverse maize and wheat collection in the world.		
3:30 – 4:00	Wrap up Session	Board meeting room			
Wednesday 26: Side meetings / Participants return to their countries					



## Participants:

- 1. Dr. Gilles Saindon, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, AAFC, President, PROCINORTE
- 2. Mr. Charles Kounkou, Senior Planning Officer, AAFC (Representing Dr. Brad Fraleigh)
- 3. Dr. Steven Kappes, Associate Administrator, National Programs, ARS/USDA
- 4. Mr. Ryan Moore, International Affairs Specialist, ARS/USDA
- 5. Dr. Luis Fernando Flores, Director General, INIFAP
- 6. Dr. Francisco Moreno Sánchez, Director Technical Support Unit, INIFAP
- 7. Dr. Maria Rodriguez, Deputy Director Technical Cooperation, IICA
- 8. Dr. Audia Barnett, IICA Representative in Canada, Executive Secretary, PROCINORTE
- 9. Ms. Gloria Abraham, IICA Representative in Mexico
- **10.** Dr. Priscila Henríquez, Specialist in the Management of Technological Innovation, IICA US, (Technical Coordinator of FORAGRO)

## Presenting:

- a. In Person On behalf of Animal Health Task Force
  - Dr. Armando Mateos, Animal Health Specialist, IICA Mexico

#### b. Via Videoconference

#### On Monday, October 24, 2016:

- Dr. Della Johnston, Leader Plant Health Task Force, AAFC
- Dr. Peter Toivonen, Leader Tree Fruits Task Force, AAFC
- Dr. Axel Diederichsen, Leader NORGEN Task Force, AAFC
- Dr. Cyril Gay, Leader Animal Health Task Force, ARS/USDA (TBC)

## On Tuesday, October 25, 2016:

• Ms. Trudy Werry, Technical and Performance Coordinator, IICA Canada