

PROCINORTE

AGENDA

XIXth MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Conference Room, London Research and Development Centre

Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada

1391 Sandford Street - London, Ontario

October 31 – November 1, 2017

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 2018.

Expected results:

1. Results of Task Force activities demonstrate relevance, effectiveness and impact
2. Members of PROCINORTE are familiar with challenges, opportunities and achievements related to PROCINORTE's operations.
3. Individual Task Force work plans and budgets for 2018 are approved.
4. Overall Work plan and budget for 2018 approved.

Meeting Agenda

October Monday 30: Arrival of participants in London, Ontario (Delta Hotel)				
Tuesday 31	Topic	Methodology	Expected results	Document #
9:00 – 9:15	Opening Session - Dr. Gilles Saindon, President of PROCINORTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome, salutations and apologies for absence. 			
9:15 – 9:20	Approval of agenda - Dr. Gilles Saindon			PN2017/02 Final Agenda BoD PROCINORTE - London ON Oct 30 to Nov,2017
9:20 – 9:50	Presentation on Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's Science & Technology Branch Priorities - Dr. Gilles Saindon			PN2017/03



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9:50 – 10:00	Minutes XVIII Meeting of PROCINORTE BOD – Dr. Gilles Saindon		Minutes of XVIII Meeting approved.	PN2017/04 Minutes XVIII BOD Meeting Mexico - Nov. 7,2016
10:00 – 10:30	Matters arising from the Minutes & Action Plan	Dr. Audia Barnett, Executive Secretary of PROCINORTE reviews decisions from XVIIIth meeting and informs on follow up.	Satisfactory follow-up conducted by the Secretariat	PN2017/05 Matters Arising 2016_Mtg PN2017/06 Action Plan - 2017 - update as of Nov. 25, 2016
10:30 – 11:00 COFFEE BREAK				
Optimizing Regional Synergies for Agricultural Research & Innovation 11:00 – 12:30 p.m				
11:00 – 11:10	Setting the Stage President, Dr. Gilles Saindon	Perspectives on leveraging PROCINORTE for increase impact.		
11:10 – 11:30	IICA-supported Mechanisms in the region for Technical Cooperation Salvador Fernandez, Director Technical Cooperation, IICA	Highlights of IICA’s MTP performance Information on new DG shared.	Options for rolling out results generated by PN through IICA & other PROCIs understood by BoD.	PN2017/07 Highlights of IICA’s MTP performance Information on new DG shared
11:30 – 11:45	PROCINORTE Adding Value to IICA’s regional Agenda Audia Barnett, ES	Specific Opportunities for PROCINORTE outreach (1 page Briefing Note circulated beforehand)	Modalities identified for ensuring increased outreach & impact by PROCINORTE.	PN2017/08 PROCINORTE Brief on Outreach

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11:45 – 12:00	Update on FORAGRO & GFAR Maria Rodriguez	Report on recent Assembly of FORAGO, GFAR update.	BoD has a clear understanding of the new FORAGRO and expectations of PN.	PN2017/09
12:00 – 12:30	Discussion and decisions regarding next steps Dr. Gilles Saindon			
12:30 – 2:00	LUNCH			
2:00 – 4:00	<p>Reports from Task Forces 2017 and Proposed actions for 2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plant Health: Dr. Della Johnston (AAFC, Canada) • Animal Health: Dr. Cyril Gay (ARS, USA) • NORGEN: Dr. Peter Bretting on (AAFC, Canada) • Tree Fruits: Dr. Peter Toivonen (AAFC, Canada) 	<p>Report by chairs of the Task Forces followed by general discussion.</p> <p>* A short report on accomplishments, plans and proposed budgets is distributed to board members.</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>PN2017/10 Plant Health 2017 Report</p> <p>PN2017/11 Animal Health 2017 Report</p> <p>PN2017/12 NORGEN 2017 Report</p> <p>PN2017/13 Tree Fruit 2017 Report</p>

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4:00 – 4:45	<p>General Discussion on PROCINORTE’s ability to respond to shifting policies and priorities in the Northern Region Lead by Steven Kappes, USDA-ARS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential new initiatives (e.g. Water) • Considerations for initiating and “sunsetting” task forces • Alternative ways for addressing new initiatives (e.g. Wheat Initiative) • Discussion on climate change inventories 	<p>PN2017/14a a. Climate Change - Canada PN2017/14b b. Climate Change – Mexico PN2017/14c b. Climate Change – USA</p>
4:45 - 5:00	Closure first day – Summary – Dr. Gilles Saindon	
6:00 – 8:00	Official dinner + GROUP PHOTO Fellini Koolini	

Wednesday, November 01, 2017

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9:00 – 12:00	Overview of AAFC’s R & D Centre in London	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview by Della Johnston • Centre tour Dr. Tara Gariepy: Entomology, biocontrol Félix Longpré: Insect Rearing Dr. Christopher Garnham: Protein Biochemist Dr. Krzysztof Szczglowski: Functional genomics Dr. Mark Gijzen: Molecular plant pathology Dr. Mark Sumarah: Natural products chemistry Dr. Rima Menassa : Plant molecular biology/biotechnology 	BoD has a greater understanding of the role and operations of the R & D Centre.	
12:00 – 1:30	Lunch			

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<p>1:30 – 2:00</p>	<p>Summary Report for 2017 Audia Barnett, ES</p>	<p>Report of the Secretariat including Communications Plan and Monitoring & Evaluation Plan.</p>	<p>The BoD approves the report of the Secretariat and TFs.</p>	<p>PN2017/15 2017 - Final Report from Executive Secretary 2017 (including financial Report) Annex 01: PROCINORTE Draft Strategic Action Plan Annex 02: Increasing impact of PN through IICA Annex 03: PROCINORTE website Annex 04: Monitoring and Evaluation Update</p>
<p>2:00– 2:30</p>	<p>2018 Work Plan and Budget</p>	<p>Performance on 2017 Work Plan</p>	<p>Work Plan and budget for 2018 approved by the BoD.</p>	<p>PN2017/16 2018 - Annual Workplan & Budget for ES and TF_Draft</p>
<p>2:30 – 3:30</p>	<p>Additional Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Gilles Saindon’s Closing Remarks </p>	<p>Discussion led by President.</p>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naming of New President • New President's Remarks • Date of Next Meeting 		New President assumes the Chair of PROCINORTE	Annex 05 Biodata for Raul Obando
3:30	Close of meeting			

Invitees:

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. Raúl Gerardo Obando Rodríguez, Director of Planning and Operation of the Central Zone, INIFAP
6. Dr. Salvador Fernandez, Director Technical Cooperation, IICA
7. Dr. Audia Barnett, IICA Representative in Canada, Executive Secretary, PROCINORTE

Presenting:

a. In Person – On behalf of Plant Health Task Force

- Dr. Della Johnston, Plant Health Task Force Leader (AAFC)

b. Via Videoconference

- Dr. Peter Toivonen, Leader Tree Fruits Task Force, AAFC
- Dr. Peter Bretting, member of NORGEN on behalf of Dr. Axel Diederichsen, Leader NORGEN Task Force, AAFC
- Dr. Cyril Gay, Leader Animal Health Task Force, ARS/USDA
- Dr. Maria Rodriguez, Director, Technical Cooperation with IICA and Executive Secretary of FORAGRO

c. Apologies

- Dr. Miguel Garcia, IICA Representative in USA
- Ms. Gloria Abraham, IICA Representative in Mexico
- Dr. Francisco Moreno Sánchez, Director Technical Support Unit, INIFAP