



PROCINORTE

Communications Plan

PROCINORTE has a specific niche in the Northern Region, supporting agricultural trade through sound science and knowledge sharing on issues of regional relevance. Its new Strategic Plan (2015 – 2020) has identified 3 main challenges currently facing PROCINORTE: 1) consolidating its role as a mechanism for dialogue, (2) overcoming financial limitations and (3) internalization in the member organizations to increase national visibility. Appropriate visibility and recognition of PROCINORTE as a valuable platform can assist in overcoming the challenges noted. As such, an effective communication programme is required.

Communications Plan For PROCINORTE						
Audience	Communication Objectives	Message	Channel	Responsible party	Timing	Status
Other PROCIs	To share knowledge for benefit of LAC and identify areas for collaboration.	Technical information on methodologies, tools, emerging issues etc.	Virtual Meeting	ES	Twice/year	Information share with PROCISUR & GT-ITTI
International Agricultural Platforms	To facilitate recognition of PROCINORTE as a relevant regional mechanism.	PROCINORTE is an effective platform for addressing Agricultural priorities of trilateral interest	Presentation at International Meetings/Conference, complemented with brochures, banner where possible including GFAR and GCARD	ES / TF	Once/year	ES actively participated in GFAR meeting & also shared brochures.
Regional Networks, Platforms -e.g. FORAGRO	To demonstrate impact of PROCINORTE in addressing agreed priority themes	PROCINORTE is an effective platform for addressing Agricultural priorities of trilateral interest	Presentation at Regional Meetings/Conference, complemented with brochures, banner where possible	ES / TF	Once/Year	ES participated in FORAGRO Exec Mtg. & meeting of the Assembly

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IICA Technical Teams	To share knowledge for benefit of LAC and identify areas for collaboration	Technical information on methodologies, tools, emerging issues etc.	Virtual Meeting	ES	Twice/Year	Information shared with the AHFS Flagship Project – Animal & Plant Health
Academics/Researchers - National, Regional	To update on the work of the PROCINORTE in the areas of Animal & Plant Health, Genetic Resources and Tree Fruits	Up-to-date information on methodologies, tools, emerging issue.	Seminars, Workshops	TF	Once per year for each Task Force	As per work plan; additional activities by NORGEN
			Briefing Note	TF	Once/Year for each Task Force	Press Release for PHTF
Regulators - National, Regional	Policy makers and Regulators are informed of pertinent issues, methodologies and latest findings	To share knowledge relevant to specific commodity or process	Seminar/Briefing Note	BOD	As needed	Plant Health TF Workshop with US APHIS participation
Industry	Industry participants value the work of PROCINORTE in facilitating trade	Information and new knowledge on specific commodities, processes, instrumentation etc. shared	Seminar/Briefing Note		As needed	Participation in Avocado Congress, presented paper & interacted with industry

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Development Organizations	To facilitate recognition of PROCINORTE as a relevant regional mechanism in addressing issues relating to Animal & Plant Health, Genetic Resources & Tree Fruits	PROCINORTE is an effective platform for addressing issues of trilateral priority and relevance to the rest of the Americas.	Summary Report	TF	Once/Year	Information Note on PROCINORTE - or IDRC, GAC & Embassies of Mexico & USA (Agric. Att)
Task Force Members	To facilitate networking and information sharing between TF members	Trilateral collaborations are efficiently addressing research priorities.	Virtual Meeting	ES / TF	Twice/Year	At least 2 virtual meetings held.
Board of Directors	To report on implementation of Work plan and account for resources allotted.	Task Forces work together effectively to address agreed priorities.	Meeting	BOD/ ES	Twice/Year	2 Interim meetings with the President; 1 BoD Meeting
Civil Society	To advise on the emerging issues, activities and achievements of PROCINORTE	PROCINORTE is a relevant and effective platform for addressing issues that can impact agricultural trade in Canada, USA and Mexico	Website	ES	Once/quarter	Website under reconstruct- ion.