



**GLOBAL AGENDA OF ACTION**  
IN SUPPORT OF SUSTAINABLE LIVESTOCK SECTOR DEVELOPMENT



## **FOCUS AREA 1: CLOSING THE EFFICIENCY GAP**

**Report on Discussion January 23-24, 2013**

## FOCUS AREA 1: Review of Objectives

- While issues such as waste are within the scope of the GAA as is the whole supply chain, the FA1 will initially focus on natural resource use efficiency at the production level.
- Work to focus on closing efficiency gap among the least efficient producers within production systems rather than seeking high efficiency across production systems
- Economic dimension to be taken into account



## FOCUS AREA 1: What do we want?

- Target actions where the highest efficiency gaps exist
- Identify within regions/country, across species and production systems the efficiency gaps



# FOCUS AREA 1: What do we need to do?

Establish a four step process:

1. Scoping
2. Detailed Assessment of the gap (e.g. Why? What? How? Success expectations; etc.)
3. Pilot Projects Development
4. Upscale



# FOCUS AREA 1: What have we agreed to do?

## Scoping:

- Agribenchmark, FAO, PBL, ILRI and Embrapa have agreed to share their respective database and data collection methodologies to identify by species, by production system and within regions/countries the largest gaps in natural resource use efficiency.
- Analyze the information gathered and assess the reasons behind the gaps to direct potential interventions (e.g. natural resources availability, practices, knowledge transfer, economic/market environment, institutional env., regulatory env., etc.)
- Hold a first meeting to gain an understanding of the data available – Agribenchmark to take the lead
- Offer a webinar to members of FA1 to share the knowledge acquired
- Report within six months



# FOCUS AREA 1: What have we agreed to do?

## Literature Review:

- Continue to populate the document repository initiated in November 2012
- Create a restricted website to FA1 members to share research results which may be subject to broader circulation restrictions
- Create a search tool within the repository



## FOCUS AREA 1: Other GAA Issues?

### Communication:

- Stakeholders will need different communication tools over the evolution of the process (i.e. before the launch to inform within the stakeholders network; after the launch to inform public, seek support from governments, donors, other stakeholders, etc.). A timeline for communication activities is required
- Communication strategy to address visibility, target groups, objectives for each target groups, approach, communication channels, etc.
- Build on communication capacity/activities of participating stakeholders
- Key messages to be determined by Guiding Group
- The use of e-mails with the FA1 should carry the subject title: “GAA-FA1”



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## Governance:

### **1. Agenda Consensus**

- Re-balance wording so emphasis is maintained on the three sustainability pillars: environment, economic and social perspectives
- Focus Areas to be identified as “initial” approach
- Detailed of Focus Areas to be minimized (e.g. delete last part starting with “through...”)
- Circulate rapidly a revised draft
- Target signing by participants by end of March 2013



# FOCUS AREA 1: Other GAA Issues?

## Governance:

### **2. Creation of FA:**

- Stakeholders to nominate members of FA by end of February. Nominations should be accompanied by CV and brief background
- A Conference Call of nominated members should be held soon after the end of February to elect a chair and select nominees to the Guiding Group
  - Interest in the Chair position could be indicated by members before the Conference Call by e-mail
  - Chair of FA should be one of the three members from FA
  - Conference call to be held before the end of March, 2013



# FOCUS AREA 1: Other GAA Issues?

## “Do No Harm” Principle:

- Revise the wording of “do no harm principle” to “respectful of environment, animal welfare, public health and livelihoods”
- The GAA should not endorse specific principles but use existing set of principles as guidelines for assessing any of its interventions
- The Support Group to collect international guidelines (e.g. OIE recommendations on animal welfare, WSPA principles, Convention on Animal Genetic Resources, WHO guidelines, etc.)



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### “Do No Harm” Principle (continued):

- Revise wording of last paragraph of the section “Focus Areas” in GAA Strategy document to read:  
“The relative emphasis and the approaches for each focus area will vary among geographic regions. Agenda partners have agreed to **be respectful of the environment, animal welfare, public health, biodiversity and livelihoods** in the implementation of their activities. ....”
- Practical due diligence assessments on the impact of GAA interventions (i.e. pilot projects formulation and implementation) should be systematically carried out with respect to environmental factors, animal welfare, biodiversity, public health and livelihoods.





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