

**Provisional Agenda**  
**CGIAR System Council Workshop on Prioritizing CRPs**  
**Saturday 24 September 2016**

- 08:00 Agenda Item 1      **Opening of Workshop & Expected Outcomes**  
Clarification of the goals of the workshop and expected outcomes  
*Melissa Wood*
- 08:15 Agenda Item 2      **Resource Mobilization Framing**  
Explicit recognition of the links between CRP improvement/approval and resource mobilization  
*Jonathan Wadsworth*
- 08:30 Agenda Item 3      **What Does Prioritization Mean in Practice in the Current CRP Approval Process?**  
Although there is a common goal (i.e. highest caliber relevant research in the CRPs that can catalyze greater investment in the CGIAR), donors currently have different views about what prioritization means in practice  
*Sara Boettiger*
- 9:30 – 9:45                      Break
- 9:45 Agenda Item 4      **Donor Consideration of CRP Reviews**  
*Facilitated by Sara Boettiger with Maggie Gill, Leslie Lipper and Gabrielle Persley as resource experts*
- (A) Donors will begin by discussing reviews for the set of CRPs for which there is common positive support (CRPs in the donor-perspective review Category 1, which have strong reviews from ISPC): RTB, Wheat, CCAFS, WLE, Big Data, Excellence in Breeding, Genebanks
  - (B) Donors will discuss reviews for four CRPs which were recommended for approval by the donor review process (Category 1), but where clarification may be sought regarding ISPC reviews: FTA, Livestock, Rice, A4NH
  - (C) Donors will discuss reviews for four CRPs highlighted by the donor review process as either needing changes of scope, or needing further development before approval: Maize, PIM, FISH, GLDC<sup>1</sup>

---

<sup>1</sup> GLDC discussion is pending decision by SMB which was not available at the time of drafting

13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 Agenda Item 5	<p><b>Prioritization Issues in the Allocation of Funding</b>  Donors have asked key questions about funding allocation in the prioritization process, including: Is there an alternative Window 1 allocation than the ‘thin blue line’? Can Window 2 donors specify expenditure by flagship project?</p>
16:00 – 16:15	Break
16:15 Agenda Item 6	<p><b>2017 Improvements Expected in New CRPs (Reporting Frameworks, M &amp; E, Impact Pathways, etc.)</b>  CRPs approved in 2016 may not fully meet donors’ expectations in particular areas (e.g. in reporting practices, monitoring &amp; evaluation frameworks, or impact pathway evidence). This session provides an opportunity for donors to discuss a process for clarifying these investment standards.</p>
17:30	<b>Closing Comments</b>
18:00	<b>Adjourn</b>