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Proposed System Management Board Working Groups

Working Group One: Resource Mobilization

To identify mechanisms for system-level resource mobilization and the strategic expansion of funding, including through innovative financing initiatives and mechanisms to stabilize the flow of funds, with a focus on both traditional and non-traditional funding sources, and building on the work of the former Senior Steering Group on funding.

Working Group Two: Rules of Governance

To strengthen the Rules of Procedure of the System Management Board and support the development of the Rules of Procedure for the General Assembly. Will include the following two sub-groups to feed into the Working Group's overall outputs:

- a. Drawing on the ISPC, addressing Conflicts of interest for System Management Board ("Board") members in regard to the discharge of the Board's role to recommend to the System Council the guidelines and criteria for prioritization and for annual allocation of Unrestricted Funding across CGIAR Research or other conflicts as may arise
- b. Drawing on the work of the nominations committee for the inaugural Board members, identifying options for the nominations processes to be utilized by the General Assembly of Centers for Board members and System Council representatives

Working Group Three: Cost-sharing for Host Centers

To identify opportunities for shared corporate services and other means of improving financial efficiency where multiple centers operate in a host country.

Working Group Four: Defining CGIAR System Risk and Internal Audit functions

To develop a comprehensive proposal for a CGIAR System risk management framework and internal audit function, linking with the System Council's Audit and Risk Committee.

Working Group Five: Funding System Actions and Entities

To work with the Interim Executive Director on identifying the actions and entities to be supported through system-level investments, and a fair mechanism with the appropriate incentives for distributing responsibility for system costs.