



12 CGIAR Research Program 2020 Reviews

Purpose

The independent external 2020 review of 12 CGIAR Research Programs are an ongoing product of the CGIAR Advisory Services Shared Secretariat *Evaluation Function*. CRP Reviews are a CGIAR Advisory Services Shared Secretariat activity set for completion in 2020. At this moment, SIMEC has vetted the first six reports delivered by CGIAR Advisory Services Shared Secretariat, which are now available on the CGIAR Advisory Services website and have been publicized on the Advisory Services LinkedIn page. A further six will be published online after their imminent completion and SIMEC endorsement. The 12 CRP evaluative reviews took a lean approach, primarily via desk review, with limited additional data gathering, to assess the Quality of Science and Effectiveness of the CRPs (two of six CGIAR Evaluation criteria). An additional evaluative question relates to future effectiveness, essentially for the independent reviewers to predict the overall value and sustainability of CRP accomplishments by end of program and beyond. The [Terms of Reference](#) for the review detail the expected work and use. The evaluative reviews have been closely coordinated with SIMEC, per the CGIAR Advisory Services Shared Secretariat Terms of Reference.

Action Requested

The System Council is invited to peruse the [available evaluative reviews](#), with the understanding that by mid-December and mid-January the Secretariat intend to publish the next six reports in two tranches of three reports.

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