Evaluation of the CGIAR Platform for Big Data in Agriculture

Purpose

The documentation at the following link sets out the Final Report and Management Response to the Evaluation of the CGIAR Platform for Big Data in Agriculture, undertaken in 2021. The Management Response was endorsed by CGIAR's Executive Management Team, and its development was led by Khuloud Odeh, Global Director, Digital Services, Brian King, Big Data Platform Lead, and Jawoo Koo, Initiative Design Team Lead, "Harnessing Digital Technologies for Timely Decision-making Across Food, Land, and Water Systems" (Digital Transformation Initiative).

The System Council's Strategic Impact, Monitoring & Evaluation Committee ('SIMEC') reviewed the draft final evaluation report during its November 2021 meeting, and heard a presentation of the proposed Management Response during its 10 February 2022 meeting. During those discussions, SIMEC expressed support for the high-quality evaluation, and commended the management response as a strong example of recommendations being contextualized in One CGIAR as an opportunity to elevate digital strategy and governance. Following SIMEC's review, the Evaluation Report and Management Response were shared with the System Board for its review, with no specific comments brought to the System Council's attention.

Action Requested

The System Council is requested to endorse the Evaluation of the CGIAR Platform for Big Data in Agriculture, taking into account this Management Response, pursuant to Article 6.1 ff) of the CGIAR System Framework.

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