The Brisbane Moment

A Message from the CGIAR System Council

• We, the CGIAR System Council, recognize and commend the achievements made in these past three years as part of the One CGIAR integration process. It is now time to consolidate and build on these achievements to unlock CGIAR’s full potential. We have reached a point of no return on CGIAR’s integration journey, and confirm that One CGIAR remains the most compelling way forward.

• We recognize that CGIAR’s partners and Funders require clarity on how the new, deeper partnership is governed and managed. The same is true for CGIAR’s world-class people. Failure to deliver that clarity will put CGIAR’s funding, partnerships, and talent at risk.

• We welcome the CGIAR Integration Framework Agreement (IFA) as a pragmatic step to consolidate what has been agreed to date, to capture where the One CGIAR vision has been adapted, and to provide clarity on the way forward.

• Now is the time to agree and move forward. There is strong and overwhelming support from the System Council for the Parties to the IFA to sign the IFA before the end of the calendar year. We understand that the IFA is a high-level agreement, leaving space for the integrated matrix structure to be developed in detail in 2023.

• A united and integrated CGIAR is uniquely placed to deliver the science and innovation that can enable farmers across the global South to deliver food and nutrition security for all. As the CGIAR System Council, we are united in our support.

About CGIAR

CGIAR is a global research partnership for a food-secure future dedicated to transforming food, land and water systems in a climate crisis. The One CGIAR transition is a dynamic reformulation of CGIAR’s partnerships, knowledge, assets and global presence, aiming for greater integration and impact in the face of the interdependent challenges facing today’s world. www.cgiar.org

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