

## 19th CGIAR System Council Meeting Agenda Item 20

### Planning 2024 independent advising and evaluative evidence for System Council

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## SC19-20a

# Decision Item – Reconfirming 2024 ISDC, SPIA and IAES Workplan and Budget

Document sets out the 2024 work plan with greater specificity to intended activities and outputs in the coming year, and high-level budget .

It includes uplift for the new SPIA operational model and plan (SC18).

### Framing documents

- Approved 2022-2024 Advisory Services multiyear plan
- SPIA 2023-2030 plan and operational model
- Terms of Reference of ISDC, SPIA and IAES

The 2024 plan presented has benefited from (1) revision and endorsement from SIMEC (02/10/23); (2) AOC has received and is conducting review of the budget.

**Action requested:** The System Council is invited to review, and if thought appropriate, approve the IAES and supported independent bodies' high level 2024 Workplan & Budget.





SC19-20c

## Decision Item: Adjusting IAES Terms of Reference

Adjustments to align with changes to the needs of the advisory bodies IAES supports and CGIAR's changed institutional context (e.g., SPIA and SIMEC TORs SC18; One CGIAR).

**Action requested:** The System Council is invited to review, and if thought appropriate, approve the IAES and supported independent bodies' 2024 Workplan & Budget.



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**Action requested:** IAES solicits views from the SC members on the Concept Note for Science Group independent evaluation in 2024 (SC19-20b). **For remarks in writing, by 31 October 2023.**





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**As evaluation commissioners, at this mid-point of the 2022-24 project delivery, what are your most pressing questions for these evaluations? what would you like most to know from this process?**



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# Thank you



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