

System Council 21st Meeting

Location and Dates

Purpose

This document sets out the locations and dates for the next System Council meeting for members' information.

Action Requested

The System Council is requested to take note of the location, host and dates for the 21st System Council meeting, in Q4 2024.

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Summary

1. Pursuant to Article 2.1b of the Rules of the Procedure of the System Council, the Secretary hereby informs the System Council that the next System Council meeting, SC21, will take place during the week of 9-13 December 2024.
2. The System Council meeting will be hosted by BMZ¹ in Berlin, Germany.
3. The Secretariat is cognizant that System Council members have expressed the wish to have most meetings in the global south, preferably at a Center.
4. However, hosting System Council meetings is also an avenue to recognize funders and partners who have contributed to the success of the CGIAR System over the years.
5. 2024 marks 50 years of Germany's contribution to the CGIAR System, and FIA² will be celebrating this milestone.
6. In recognition of the unflinching support for CGIAR's work in feeding the future in the face of poly-crisis and challenges, BMZ was given the honor of hosting the next System Council meeting.
7. The timing in December 2024, which falls seven months after SC20, takes into account the planned COP 28, which takes place from 11-22 November 2024.

¹ BMZ - Bundesministerium für wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit und Entwicklung

² FIA - Fund for International Agricultural Research