

From Forward Thinking to Forward Acting

The GCARD2 foresight sessions achieved concrete and practical declarations which provide a basis for priority collective actions in order to ensure research, policies and innovations are more strongly able to address future challenges. These actions are recorded below.

What all GFAR constituencies would want to do:

- Increase the diversity of stakeholders contributing to foresight: from more regions, more young people, more voices of small farmers;
- Build their own capacity as foresight users and foresight actors and support the Global Foresight Hub, using the Forward Thinking Platform as a place for dialogue on methodology, assumptions, results, impact, progress...

What Regional Forums want to do:



- Mutually learn, exchange lessons and methods for foresight across regions and globally through GFAR;
- Promote and facilitate foresight initiatives in their respective regions to guide research (advocacy for investment and foresight capacity development at national and regional levels) and to set up specialized teams in the different regions with explicit mandates for doing foresight with clear, impartial and inclusive methods;
- Build with national agricultural innovations systems networks of organizations to ensure that foresight guides research, with indicators of inclusiveness.







What organizations of the civil society (farmers, NGOs....) want to do:

- Facilitate and build grassroots foresight for 2014 Year of Family Farming and to empower their leaders with the required capacity to conduct this process at grassroot level and directly interact in foresight studies
- Share findings with other stakeholders and media for dissemination, feedback, input into research and policy making



What the CGIAR want to do:



- Continue developing foresight capacity in the CGIAR, through the GFAR Foresight Hub, the foresight studies of the CGIAR Independent Science & Partnership Council (ISPC) and the CGIAR Research Program on Policies, Markets and Institutions;
- Management Update of the CGIAR Strategy and Results Framework that will focus on three key trends identified as priorities at GCARD2: farm size dynamics, from sustainable production to sustainable consumption, and urbanization.

What Research Leaders want to do:

Ensure coordination between national processes and global foresight exercises, bringing foresight into the SRF Update 2013, launching pilot foresight (regions, methods and topics), and creating ways to ownership by stakeholders.

What the GFAR Secretariat will do:

Facilitate these commitments with emphasis on actions linking GFAR constituencies with collective processes and ensure follow up.

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