

ExCo Decisions on Challenge Programs

Pilot Process

Approved March 15, 2002

Decision 1. The Water and Food CP should be advanced to the full proposal development stage. The full proposal should take into account the points made by the iSC and the members of ExCo. The System Office should identify and make available to the proponents of the CP US\$ 200,000 for developing a full proposal. The full proposal should be ready for review by iSC by July 15, 2002.

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Decision 2: The "Genetic Resources" and "Biofortified Crops" CPs should both be advanced to the full proposal development stage. Each full proposal should take into account the points made by the iSC and the members of ExCo. The proponents of the two proposals should interact during full proposal development to explore synergies and areas for potential integration. The System Office should identify and make available to the proponents of each CP US\$ 200,000 for developing a full proposal. The full proposals should be ready for review by iSC by July 15, 2002.

Regular Process

Challenge Programs--Regular Process. ExCo has endorsed the advancement of the 13 iSC-recommended concept notes to the CGIAR for approval. (19 March 2002)