

IMPROVING LIVELIHOODS THROUGH KNOWLEDGE SOLUTIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS

Asian-Pacific Member Countries Regional Consultation

4 – 6 November 2015, Putrajaya Marriott Hotel, Putrajaya, Malaysia

Programme

Wednesday, 4 November

0830 – 0900 **Registration**

Opening Plenary Session

Master of Ceremony: Dr Loke Wai Hong, Regional Director, CABI Southeast Asia and Pacific

0900 – 0920 **Welcome Address and Introduction**

Mr Philip Walters, Chair, Governing Board, CABI

Dr Dennis Rangi, Director General, Development, CABI

0920 – 0935 **Official Speech from the Host Country**

Dato' Dr. Sharif Haron, Director-General, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia

0935 – 1010 **CABI: Progress Updates and Medium-term Strategy Review**

Dr Trevor Nicholls, Chief Executive Officer, CABI

1010 – 1025 **Opening of Invasive Species Exhibition**

1025 – 1100 **Group Photo and Networking Break**

Session 1: CABI and its Membership

Chairpersons: Dato' Dr. Sharif Haron, Director-General, Malaysian Agricultural Research & Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia and Mr Philip Walters, Chair, Governing Board, CABI

1100 – 1130 **CABI in Asia-Pacific – Partnerships and Action**

Dr Babar Bajwa Regional Director, Central & West Asia and Dr Feng Zhang, Regional Director, East Asia

Working in Partnership with CABI

Presentations from member countries, prospective member countries and partners

China – *Dr Feng Dongxin, DG, Department of International Co-operations, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences*

1130 – 1230 **Bangladesh** – *Mr MD Manzurul Hannan, Additional Director, Plant Protection Wing, Department of Agricultural Extension, Bangladesh*

Pakistan – *Dr Muhammad Shahid Masood, Member (Plant Sciences Division), Pakistan Agricultural Research Council*

Partner – *Dr Misnawi Jati, Director, Indonesian Coffee and Cocoa Research Institute, Indonesia*

1230 – 1300 **General Discussions and Questions/Answers**

1300 – 1400 **Lunch**

Session 2: Reviewing and Identifying Priorities of Member Countries

Chairpersons: Mrs Fuziah Haji Hamdan, Assistant Director of Agriculture , Ministry of Industry & Primary Resources, Brunei Darussalam and Dr David Smith, Director of Biological Resources, CABI

1400 – 1420 **Introduction**

Dr Loke Wai Hong, Regional Director, CABI Southeast Asia and Pacific

1420 – 1600 **Break-out Discussions 1: Sub-Regional Groups (3 groups)**

(Southeast Asia, East Asia & the Pacific and South Asia-Central & West Asia)

1600 – 1620 **Networking Break**

1620 – 1730 **Reporting back and agreeing on broad Regional Priority Areas**

1900 – 2200 **Official Dinner**

Exchange of MoU between MARDI and CABI

Dato' Dr. Sharif Haron, Director-General, Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI), Malaysia and Dr Trevor Nicholls, Chief Executive Officer, CABI

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Session 3: Prioritising Key Regional Issues

Chairpersons: Dr Rohan Wijekoon, Director General, Department of Agriculture, Sri Lanka and Dr Qiaoqiao Zhang, Director of Memberships, CABI

0830 – 0840 **Introduction: Objectives of the day**

Dr Lum Keng Yeang, Chief Scientist, CABI Southeast Asia and Pacific

0840 – 1000 **Highlighting issues of select CABI strategic areas**

Knowledge Business (open data and mobile information delivery) – *Mrs Andrea Powell, Chief Information Officer*

Plantwise (Issues in relation to Plant Health System Development, Knowledge Bank & M&E) – *Dr Malvika Chaudhary, Regional Coordinator, Plantwise Asia*

Trade and Commodities (CABI's role in facilitating trade and market access) – *Dr Julie Flood, Global Director, Trade and Commodities*

Bioservice (CABI's Policy on Access and Benefit Sharing Compliance under the Nagoya Protocol including plenary discussions) – *Dr David Smith, Director, Biological Resources*

1000 – 1115	<p>Focusing on invasive species – the livelihoods threat facing Asia-Pacific</p> <p>Introduction by CABI - <i>Dr Dennis Rangi, Director General, Development and Mr Phil Abrahams, Business Development Director</i></p> <p>Presentations from representatives affected by or working with invasives within the region:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farmer/Entrepreneur affected by the problem to give his account about livelihood impact – <i>Dato' Syed Abdul Rahman</i> Governmental/research official on national biodiversity concerns – <i>Palasuberamaniam s/o Kalianan, Deputy Director, Plant Diagnostic Expert Section, Department of Agriculture, Malaysia</i> International expert on transboundary issues with focus on trade – <i>Dr Wan Fanghao, Professor, Department of Biological Invasions, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, PR China</i>
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1115 – 1130	Networking Break
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1130 – 1300	Break-out Discussions 2: Key Invasives Issues (3 groups)
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1300 – 1400	Lunch
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Chairpersons: Dr Nguyen Hong Son, Vice President, Vietnamese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Vietnam and Mrs Andrea Powell, Chief Information Officer, CABI

1400 – 1500	Concepts for addressing invasive species together
1500 – 1540	Presentation and Discussions of the Integrated Priority Areas and Issues from Sub-regional Groups
1540 – 1730	<p>Break-out Discussions 3: Other Issues of Strategic Areas & Action Plans (3 groups) (Networking Break at 1615 – 1630)</p> <p>Group 1: Knowledge Business (open data and mobile information delivery)</p> <p>Group 2: Plantwise (issues in relation to Plant Health System Development, Knowledge Bank & M&E)</p> <p>Group 3: Trade and Commodities (CABI's role in facilitating trade and market access)</p>

1815 – 2000	Cocktails
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Friday, 6 November

Session 4: Crystallizing Key Issues into Recommendations/Action Plans and Partnerships for Implementation

Chairpersons: Dr A.S.M. Anwarul Huq, Member Director, Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council and Mr Morris Akiri, Regional Director, CABI Africa

0830 – 0915	Reporting back
0915 – 1000	Agreeing on Priority Areas and Issues For Action, and Discussing on Recommendations and Action Plans
1000 – 1045	Discussions on collaboration with international, regional and sub-regional bodies and other partners (e.g. the private sector)

1045 – 1100 Networking Break

Session 5: Conclusions

Chairpersons: Mr. Nasrul Haqim bin Mohd Nasir, Principal Assistant Secretary, International Division, Ministry of Agriculture and Agro-based Industry and Dr Dennis Rangi, Director General, Development, CABI

1100 – 1130	Wrap-up Discussions
1130 – 1145	Closing Remarks <i>Dr Trevor Nicholls, Chief Executive Officer, CABI</i>
1145 – 1200	Vote of Thanks <i>Dr Vibha Dhawan, Member, Governing Board, CABI</i>

1200 – 1300 Lunch