



## Break-out Discussions 1 (Session 2)

### Reviewing and Identifying Priorities of Member Countries

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## Break-out Discussion 1 - Groups

- **Americas:** Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica and Panama plus partners (**Yelitza Colmenarez and Richard Shaw /Cambria Finegold/**)
- **Caribbean:** Anguilla, Barbados, Bahamas British Virgin Islands, Grenada, Jamaica, Montserrat, and Trinidad & Tobago and Turks and Caicos plus partners [**Naitram (Bob) Ramnanan and Andrea Powell**]

## Specific Objectives

- Review the continued relevance of **7** priority areas and issues identified in 2012-2013
- Identify new emerging national/sub-regional/regional priorities
- Agree on sub-regional and regional priority areas and issues

Through sub-regional break-out group and plenary discussions





# Suggested Steps

## Break-out Discussion 1

- **Step 1:** Review and agree on the continued relevance of 7 priority areas and issues identified in 2012-2013
- **Step 2:** Articulate top 3 new emerging national priority areas by each member country
- **Step 3:** Discuss and agree on top 3 new emerging sub-regional priority areas
- **Step 4:** Discuss and agree on specific issues of each of these 3 priority areas
- **Step 5:** Integrate both previous relevant and new emerging sub-regional priority areas/issues into “**Sub-regional priority areas/issues 2016**”





# Suggested Steps for Discussions

## Plenary Discussions

- **Step 6:** Reporting on “**Sub-regional Priority Areas and Issues**”, and holding a brief discussion on them

Two sets of sub-regional priority areas and issues will be integrated in the evening for discussions on the following day

## Consolidated priority areas and issues 2012-13

Priority Areas	Priority Issues
<b>Trade and market access and development</b>	SPS compliance; Value-chain focus and postharvest value-addition; GAP and best practices promulgation, and capacity building; Commercialization and contract farming.
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<b>Biodiversity and invasive species management</b>	Invasive management; Capacity building of IS identification and diagnostics; habitat manipulation/agro-biodiversity enrichment Microbial resource collection, characterization and utilization; Development and production of biopesticides, and implications of biopesticides use.
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## Step 1: Review and agree on the continued relevance of 7 priority areas and issues identified in 2012-2013 (1)

- Are these 7 priority areas are still relevant and important to your country and region?
- Please discuss and agree on those priority areas and issues still relevant at sub-regional level (use the table in next slide to delete non-relevant or non-important areas or issues)

## Step 1: Review and agree on the continued relevance of 7 priority areas and issues identified in 2012-2013 (2)

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## Step 2: Articulate top 3 new emerging national priority areas by each member country (1)

- What are the top 3 new emerging priority areas for your country?
  - use next 3 slides



## Step 2: Articulate top 3 new emerging national priority areas by each member country (2)

### new emerging national priority areas

[Country 1]

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

[Country 2]

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

[Country 3]

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.



## Step 2: Articulate top 3 new emerging national priority areas by each member country (3)

### new emerging national priority areas

[Country 4]

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

[Country 5]

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

[Country 6]

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.





## Step 3: Discuss and agree on top 3 new emerging sub-regional priority areas

- What are common top 3 new emerging priority areas for your sub-region?

[No 1]

[No 2]

[No 3]

Please use the next slide to work out the specific issues of each new emerging priority areas

## Step 4: Discuss and agree on specific issues of each of these 3 priority areas

New Priority Areas	Priority Issues



## Step 5: Consolidate and agree on “Sub-regional Priority Areas/Issues 2016”

- Combine the table of agreed priority areas/issues from 2012-2013 which are still relevant with the table of agreed new emerging priority areas/issues at sub-regional level, making it agreed sub-regional “Priority Areas and Issues 2016”



**Step 5: Agreed Priority Areas and Issues 2015 (Sub-regional) – to replace this table with outcomes from earlier discussions**

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## Step 6: Reporting on “Sub-regional Priority Areas and Issues”, and Integrating them into “Regional Priority Areas and Issues ”

- Reporting back, and discussing on broad “Regional Priority Areas”
- 2 sets of sub-regional “Priority Areas and Issues” are to be integrated into “Regional Priority Areas and Issues ” for presentation and discussions the following day

**Step 6: Integrated “Regional Priority Areas and Issues” – to replace this table with outcomes from earlier discussions**

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urakoze tak ke itumetse zikomo  
danke terima kasih dhanyawaad asante  
**thank you** gracias