



International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA)

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Iraq-ICARDA-ACIAR Project (CIM/2008/027)

Development of conservation cropping systems in the drylands of northern Iraq

2007/08 reporting/planning meeting

7-11 September 2008

ICARDA Aleppo, Syria

Agenda

Friday/Saturday 5-6 Sept

Arrival of participants - accommodation at the Mirage (Amir Palace) Hotel

Sunday, 7 September

0800-0900	Transport to ICARDA Tel Hadya and registration	
0900-0930	Official opening	Dr M Solh Dr S Bader Dr P Fox Dr C Piggin
0930-1000	Introduction and program	
1000-1030	Group photo and tea/coffee	
1030-1200	Results of 2007/08 demos - Iraq	Dr AS Rajibo/JS Saeed
1200-1300	Lunch	
1300-1400	Results of 2007/08 research - Iraq - DOA/Uni Mosul - SBAR	Dr AS Rajibo/JS Saeed Dr K Kasim/R Hameed
1400-1500	Results of 2007/08 research - Iraq - socio-economics (adoption and impact)	Dr M Sa'ad
1500-1630	Results of 2007/08 research/demos-ICARDA	Dr C Piggin/A Haddad
1630-1700	Transport: ICARDA - Mirage Hotel	

Monday, 8 September

0730-0800	Transport: Mirage Hotel - ICARDA	
0800-1000	Inspection/demonstration of ZT seeders	A Haddad/Shukri Ismail
1000-1030	Tea/coffee	
1030-1200	Training/study visits to Australia	Trainees + Aust hosts
1200-1300	Lunch	
1300-1400	Seminar: Small plot seeders in Australia	Dr J Eglinton
1400-1500	Review/discussion of Phase 1 experiences	

1500-1600 Introduction to new project
1600-1630 Transport: ICARDA - Mirage Hotel

Chairs: Drs C Piggin/AS Rajibo
Dr C Piggin

Tuesday, 9 September

0730-0800 Transport: Mirage Hotel-ICARDA
0800-1000 Workplan discussion group - Objective 1 To demonstrate and promote uptake of “best-bet” improved varieties and crop management systems for wheat, barley and pulse and forage legumes
Chairs: Drs AS Rajibo/JS Saeed/S Grando/J Cummins

1000-1030 Tea/coffee
1030-1230 Workplan discussion group - Objective 2 To evaluate and select new, improved germplasm of wheat, barley and pulse and forage legumes for promotion in demonstration programs
Chairs: Drs AS Rajibo/K Kasim/M Imtiaz/J Eglinton

1230-1300 Lunch
1300-1400 Seminar: No-Till Seeding Systems - Technologies & Performance Issues
Dr J Desbiolles

1400-1600 Workplan discussion group - Objective 3 To evaluate and select new, improved crop management technologies for promotion in demonstration programs
Chairs: Drs AS Rajibo/JS Saeed/D Coventry

1600-1730 Workplan discussion group - Objective 4 To facilitate agricultural planning and development through utilisation of GIS and crop modeling
Chairs: Drs AS Rajibo/JS Saeed/W Goebels/R Sommer

1730-1800 Transport: ICARDA - Mirage Hotel
1930-2200 Official Dinner

Wednesday, 10 September

0730-0800 Transport: Mirage Hotel-ICARDA
0800-1000 Workplan discussion group - Objective 5 To develop, evaluate and promote efficient and sustainable local seed production and supply systems
Chairs: Dr AS Rajibo/A A Niane

1000-1030 Tea/coffee
1030-1230 Workplan discussion group - Objective 6 To monitor and evaluate adoption and impacts of the project technologies, and identify enabling policy options to enhance uptake by farmers
Chairs: Drs M Sa’ad, W Anderson, K Shideed

1200-1300 Lunch
1300-1400 Seminar: Participatory technology transfer in Australia Dr J Cummins
1400-1600 Workplan discussion group - Objective 7 To enhance capacity of Iraq research and extension programs to develop and promote improved conservation cropping technologies
Chairs: Drs S Bader, K Siddique, Z Abdul-Hadi

1600-1630 Transport: ICARDA - Mirage Hotel

Thursday, 11 September

0730-0800 Transport: Mirage Hotel-ICARDA

0800-1000 Presentation of workplans

- Objective 1 demonstrations
- Objective 2 germplasm research
- Objective 3 crop management research
- Objective 4 GIS and modelling
- Objective 5 seed production
- Objective 6 socio-economics
- Objective 7 training

1000-1030 Morning tea/coffee

1030-1200 Discussion on:

- finance
- capital items
- seed requirements
- other issues

1200 Close

Drs M Solh, S Bader, C Piggin

1200-1300 Lunch

1300-1430 Project coordination committee meeting

Chair: Drs Bader, Piggin

1430-1500 Transport: ICARDA - Mirage Hotel

Friday/Saturday 12-13 September 2008

Departure to Baghdad, Mosul and Australia according to transport arrangements

Dr C. Piggin, ICARDA

Date: 3 Sept 2008