

STAKEHOLDERS' DIALOGUE

ON

“BIOSAFETY REGULATIONS IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION”

Royal Princess Hotel, Larn Laung, Bangkok

(16-17 April 2013)

Program

16 April 2013

08:30- 09:30	Registration	
09:30-10:25	Inaugural Session	
09:30- 09:45	Welcome Address	Dr. Raj Paroda, Executive Secretary, APAARI
09:45-10:00	Opening Remarks	Dr. Simon Hearn, Chairman, APAARI
10:00-10:20	Release of Publication & Inaugural Address	Dr. Hiroyuki Konuma, ADG, FAO-RAP
10:20-10:25	Vote of Thanks	Dr. J. L. Karihaloo, Coordinator, APCoAB-APAARI

10:25 – 11:00

Group Photograph & Tea/Coffee Break

Session I:

Status of Agricultural Biotechnology and Biosafety Regulations in Asia-Pacific

Chair: Dr. Simon Hearn, ACIAR

Co-Chair: Dr. Wais Kabir, BARC

Rapporteur: Dr. K. V. Prabhu, IARI

11:00-11:30	Overview and APAARI's role	Dr. J. L. Karihaloo, Coordinator, APCoAB-APAARI
11:30-11:50	Bangladesh	Dr. Wais Kabir, BARC
11:50-12:10	India	Dr. Kavita Gupta, NBPGR
12:10-12:30	Malaysia	Dr. Umi Kalsum Abu Bakar, MARDI
12:30-12:50	Pacific	Dr. Toshiro Shigaki, NARI
12:50-13:15	Discussion	

13:15-14:15

Lunch Break

Session II:

Status of Agricultural Biotechnology and Biosafety Regulations in Asia-Pacific

Chair: Dr. Iftikhar Ahmad, PARC

Co-Chair:

Rapporteur: Dr. Kavita Gupta, NBPGR

14:15-14:35	Pakistan	Dr. Iftikhar Ahmad, PARC
14:35-14:55	Chinese Taipei	Ms Hung Hsi Lee, COA
14:55-15:15	Thailand	
15:15-15:45	Tea/Coffee Break	
15:45-16:05	Vietnam	Dr. Pham Van Toan, VAAS
16:05-16:25	Recent issues on GM crops needs and regulations in India	Dr. K. V. Prabhu, IARI
16:25-17:00	Discussion	

18:30

Dinner hosted by APAARI

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Session III: Key note lectures

Chair: Dr. Masa Iwanaga, JIRCAS

Co-Chair:

Rapporteur: Dr. Kavita Gupta, NBPGR

09:00-09:25	Genetically modified vegetable crops to small holder farming systems: current situation and future developments	Dr. Roland Schafleitner, AVRDC
09:25-09:50	Asia-Pacific regional cooperation in biosafety regulations	Dr. Banpot Napompeth, NBCRC
09:50-10:15	Biosafety information sources	Dr. Keng Yeang Lum, CABI

10:15-10:45 Tea/Coffee Break

10:45-11:10	Communication strategies for agricultural biotechnology and biosafety	Dr. George B. Fuller, AFS
11:10-11:35	Biosafety compliance support being provided by ICRISAT	Dr. K. K. Sharma, ICRISAT
11:35 – 12:00	Discussion	

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

Session IV: Discussion on Key Issues

	Topic:	Facilitator
13:00-13:30	Biotechnology R&D priorities especially aimed at small holders	Dr. Roland Schafleitner, AVRDC
13:30-14:00	Enhancing communication for public awareness	Dr. George B. Fuller, AFS
14:00-14:30	Regional Cooperation for biosafety management	Dr. Banpot Napompeth, NBCRC

14:30-15:00 Tea/Coffee Break

15:00--16:00 Concluding Session

Chair: Dr. Raj Paroda, APAARI

Co-Chair:

Rapporteur: Dr. K. K. Sharma, ICRISAT

Presentation of recommendations by Facilitators, discussion and closing remarks by Chair and Co-Chair