To enhance its collective action of strengthening agri-food research and innovation systems in Asia-Pacific, APAARI seeks to attract new members, particularly from other NARS institutions, higher education, international agricultural research centres, civil society – non-governmental organizations (NGOs), farmers’ organizations, women organization, as well as the private sector.

Benefits of APAARI Membership

- Enhancing scope for networking, knowledge sharing, collaboration and partnership by synergizing efforts and creating opportunities for the members to participate in discussions and policy dialogue
- Ensuring dissemination of research outputs of the members and their integration in regional and global knowledge base, and increasing visibility of the members and their activities through knowledge management and advocacy at regional and global levels
- Providing incentives to the members for enhancing APAARI activities and opportunities to influence APAARI governance
- Assuring participation of the members in capacity development to strengthen their technical and functional capacities, including women and youth, and disadvantaged institutions and countries

Depending on the membership category and agreement between APAARI and its member, the membership fee varies from USD 1,500 to USD 10,000 per annum.

To become a member of APAARI:

- Send an e-mail to apaari@apaari.org to obtain the application form or
- Download the application form from www.apaari.org and send it to the above-mentioned e-mail.

For any clarification and discussion of membership category, please contact Dr. Ravi Khetarpal, Executive Secretary, APAARI, at ravi.khetarpal@apaari.org.
About APAARI

APAARI is a membership-based, apolitical and multi-stakeholder inter-governmental regional organization. It is bridging national, regional and global stakeholders to bring about collective change in agri-food systems.

APAARI’s wide network of members and partners comprises of national agricultural research institutes (NARIs) and organizations (NAROs), CGI development, and advocacy. Close collaboration with its stakeholders are instrumental for APAARI to strengthen agri-food research and innovation systems towards more sustainable development in Asia-Pacific region.

Guided by its Strategic Plan 2017-2022, APAARI works with these members and partners to address four thematic areas:

- Mobilization, management and use of natural resources for sustainability of agri-food systems
- Management of risks and uncertainties of agri-food systems
- Inclusive development and integration of value chains targeted at benefiting smallholders
- Analysis, strengthening and formulation of public policies and overarching regulatory frameworks to support the transformation and development of agri-food systems

Four key programmes and activities address these areas, namely: knowledge management, partnership and networking, capacity development, and advocacy. Close collaboration with its stakeholders are instrumental for APAARI to strengthen agri-food research and innovation systems towards more sustainable development in Asia-Pacific region.

Vision: Strengthened research and innovations for sustainable agricultural development in Asia and the Pacific

Mission: Promoting, coordinating and strengthening agriculture and agri-food research and innovation systems through partnerships and collaboration, capacity development and advocacy for sustainable agricultural development in Asia and the Pacific

Goal: The Asia-Pacific region benefits from and values APAARI’s leadership and contribution to developing agriculture and agri-food research and innovation systems

APAARI Membership

APAARI’s member institutions working in agri-food research and innovation in Asia-Pacific and globally, has increased from nine at inception to over 77 to date. Through collective action, they contribute to the attainment of the APAARI vision, mission and goal, and ultimately to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Types of Membership

- Regular: National Agricultural Research System (NARS) institutions that pay membership fee and have voting rights in APAARI.
- Associate: International Agricultural Research Centres (IARC) and agricultural universities that pay membership fee and have voting rights.
- Affiliate: Agricultural universities and research institutions beside NARS that pay lower membership fees and have no voting right.
- Reciprocal: Other regional/global fora that also recognize APAARI as their member without paying membership fees to each other.

The map below shows geographical representation of APAARI’s members according to the different types of membership.

Current Members

National Agricultural Research Organizations and Institutes

South Asia

- Afghanistan – Agricultural Research Institute of Afghanistan (ARIA)
- Bangladesh – Bangladesh Agricultural Research Council (BARC)
- Bhutan – Department of Agriculture (DOA)
- India – Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)
- Nepal – Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC)
- Sri Lanka – Sri Lanka Council for Agricultural Research Policy (CARP)
- Pakistan – Pakistan Agricultural Research Council (PARC)

Southeast Asia

- Japan – Japan International Research Center for Agricultural Sciences
- Lao People’s Democratic Republic (PDR) – National Agriculture and Forestry Research Institute (NAFRI)
- Malaysia – Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (MARDI)
- Philippines – Bureau of Agricultural Research (BAR) and the Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development (PCARRD)
- Republic of Korea – Rural Development Administration (RDA)
- Taiwan – Council of Agriculture (COA)
- Thailand – Department of Agriculture (DOA)
- Vietnam – Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD)

West Asia

- Iran – Agricultural Research, Education and Extension Organization

Pacific

- Australia – Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research
- Fiji – Ministry of Agriculture (MOA)
- New Caledonia – Institut Agronomique neo-Caledonien (IAC)
- Papua New Guinea – National Agricultural Research Institute (NARI)
- Samoa – Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (MAF)

Higher Education

- India
  - Anand Agricultural University (AAU-And)
  - Assam Agricultural University (AAU-Assam)
  - Central Agricultural University (CAU)
  - CSK Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishvavidyalaya (CSK HPKV)
  - Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth (DBSKKV)
  - Indian Institute of Technology (IIT-Mumbai)
  - Indian Agricultural Universities Association (IAUA)
  - Junagadh Agricultural University (JAU)
  - Kamdhenu University (KU)
  - Navsari Agricultural University (NAU)
  - Professor Jayashankar Telengana State Agricultural University (PJTSAU)
  - Punjab Agricultural University (PAU)
  - Sam Higginbottom Institute of Agriculture Technology and Sciences (SHIATS)
  - Sardarkrushinagar Dantiwada Agricultural University (SHIATS)
  - Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU)
  - University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore (UAS-Bangalore)
  - University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad (UAS-Dharwad)
  - Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology (SKUAST)
  - Uttarakhand University of Horticulture and Forestry (UUHF)