



Asia-Pacific Regional Conference on Transformation of Higher Education in Agriculture – 18 December 2023, 14.00 BKK time

Agenda

Moderator: Ms Samitha Haldar, Partnership and Membership Manager, APAARI

Time	Session	Objective	Speaker
14.00-14.10	Welcome	To welcome the participants	Dr. Ravi Khetarpal , Executive Secretary, APAARI; and Mr. Karim Hussain , Senior Advisor, GFAiR
14.10-14.15	Introduction	To introduce the meeting's objectives	Ms. Samitha Haldar , Partnership and Membership Manager, APAARI
14.15-14.35	Setting the stage: Transformation of Higher Education in Agriculture – A trajectory of the future	To learn about key findings of the recent survey and a working group devoted to the topic, which will provide valuable insights on the importance and status of transformation of higher education in the region	Ms. Martina Spisiakova , Innovation and Strategy Coordinator, APAARI
14.35-15.00	Panel discussion: What is driving agricultural education transformation and what are some key lessons learned from regional and global initiatives?	To learn about the region's experiences in mainstreaming innovative pedagogy in the system of higher education in agriculture, particularly focused on equipping education leaders, managers, researchers and professors with a mentality, attitudes and skills needed to create a different value within agri-food systems, innovate within the value chain, and graduate professionals with the right capabilities, ethical behaviours, and mindsets to actively participate in agri-food system transformation.	Panellists: Dr. Nur Azura binti Adam , SEARCA Deputy Director for Programs, Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) Dr. Narendra Shah , Member Secretary, Rajiv Gandhi Science and Technology Commission, Government of Maharashtra, former Professor at IIT-Bombay, India Mr. Gopesh Tewari , Head of Education, International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) Dr. Lisa van Dijk , Co-chair of the ProLinnoVA Oversight Group Moderator: Ms. Martina Spisiakova
15.00-15.30	Integration of transformative	Learn about innovative transformative education	Dr. Supawan Visetnoi , Assistant Professor in agricultural

	education practices in agricultural universities	practices that are being integrated in higher education in Asia-Pacific (case studies from Nepal and Thailand)	development and extension and a full-time instructor at School of Agricultural Resources, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand Dr. Dharma Dangol , Professor, Institute of Agriculture and Animal Science, Tribhuvan University, Nepal
15.30-15.45	Way forward with the CA: Theory of Change	Learn about the transformative learning framework, how this CA will contribute to the transformation of higher education, and how your university can engage	Martina Spisiakova , Strategy and Innovation Coordinator, APAARI
15.45-16.00	Wrap up and closing		Karim Hussein , Senior Advisor, GFAiR