



# ROLE OF THE FUNDERS FORUM

CGIAR Funders Forum  
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# FUNCTIONS OF THE FUNDERS FORUM

Funders Forum is a biennial event providing a platform through which the participants:

- Discuss and exchange views about the CGIAR;
- Endorse the SRF proposed by the Consortium every six years;
- Review and endorse the proposal on cost structure and financing plan for system-wide functions developed by the Consortium in conjunction with the Fund Council;
- Provide feedback to the Consortium and the Fund Council on the implementation of the SRF based on progress reports received from them and on the mid-term reviews of the SRF; and
- Review shortfalls or imbalances in resources available for Mega Programs, so that individual donors could consider adjusting their allocations.



# FUNDERS FORUM PARTICIPANTS

- All countries and organizations that are Fund Donors
- Members of the Fund Council
- Countries hosting the headquarters of a CGIAR Center and the Consortium
- Open to all bilateral donors making a minimum financial contribution of US\$500,000 in the prior calendar year to support implementation of the SRF
- The Chair of the Forum, in consultation with donor participants, will identify and invite representatives of CGIAR's internal and external stakeholders who are not members of the Fund Council, including potential donors, to participate in the Forum.

# MEETINGS

- The Forum will be convened every two years, synchronized with the biennial meeting of GCARD in such a way as to ensure feed-in of GCARD recommendations to the Forum.
- In the off years, CGIAR donors would be invited to have dialogue with the Consortium and the Centers in events linked with the Fund Council meetings, according to a format agreed by the Consortium and the Fund Council.
- The inaugural meeting of the Forum will be chaired by the Chair of the Fund Council.
- The Fund Council will propose options for chairmanship of subsequent meetings for discussion and decision at the inaugural Forum.
- The Chair provides leadership to the deliberations of the Forum, interacts with the Fund Council, the Consortium, and Funders Forum participants, and provides guidance to the Fund Office on Forum matters, such as the follow-up of Forum recommendations on the SRF.
- Support to the Forum and its Chair is provided by the Fund Office.

# SRF IMPLEMENTATION FLOW CHART

