
SFRAS Meeting – Inclusive Land Governance and RAS



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Minutes of last SFRAS Meeting



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Programme:

Roles and capacities of farmer cooperatives in RAS		
14:00	Welcome & Introduction	Peter Schmidt, HELNETAS
14:10	Introduction „Producer Organisations in Rural Advisory Services: Evidence and Experiences“. Insights from the GFRAS Position Paper, February 2015	Peter Schmidt, HELNETAS
14:30	The role of producer organisations and cooperatives in RAS – experiences from Caritas Projects in Bosnia and Kosovo	Erich Waldmeier
15:10	Break	
15:30	Public Private Partnership in Extension Services in Bangladesh	Khodeza Hossain, MRM-Manager of Katalyst, Swisscontact, Bangladesh
16:20	News from members Please report about recent or forthcoming events, publications, projects, initiatives related to RAS	All
16:50	Closing	Peter Schmidt

Participants: Markus Kupper (Swisscontact), Khodeza Hossain (Katalyst), Hans Schaltenbrand (HAFL), David Schwiter (World Vision), Anton Stöckli (BLW), Loredon Sorg (Biovision), Andreas Sicks (Biovision), Ernst Bolliger (EB Consult), Natalie Ernst (GFRAS), Ulrich Ryser (Agridea), Felicitas Bachmann (CDE), Martin Schmid (HEKS), Samuel Bauer (Syngenta Foundation), Sarah Mader (Swissaid), Victoria Biedermann (Swisscontact), Erich Waldmeier (Consultant), Peter Schmidt (Helvetas Swiss Intercooperation)

Excused: Felix Fellmann, Monique Frey, Gian Nicolay, Paul Castle, Johann Züblin, Daniel Roduner

Welcome & Introduction
Markus Kupper, representing Swisscontact, the host organisation, opens the meeting. Peter Schmidt, introduces the programme and facilitates the introduction of the participants. The minutes of the last meeting are approved.

„Producer Organisations in Rural Advisory Services: Evidence and Experiences“
Peter Schmidt introduces the topic by summarising the GFRAS Position Paper, February 2015. Khodeza Hossain, MRM-Manager of Katalyst, Swisscontact, Bangladesh, introduces the topic by summarising the GFRAS Position Paper, February 2015.

Agenda



9.15	Opening & Welcome	Stefanie Kaegi, Helvetas
9.25	Inclusive Land Governance – Road to a better life Insights of the F2F Meeting of the Agriculture and Food Security Network of SDC	Felix Fellmann and Martina Hickethier, SDC
9.55	Group discussions: Rural Advisory Services and Land Governance	All
10.25	Sharing insights of group discussions	
10.40	Coffee Break	
11.00	- New GFRAS Strategy 2016-2010 - Report from GFRAS Annual meeting on the role of rural advisory services for inclusive agripneurship;	Karim Hussein, Executive Director GFRAS
11.20	Update on the Global Donor Platform for Rural Development New Strategy of the A&FS Network	Felix Fellmann
11.40	News from members <i>Please report about recent or forthcoming events, publications, projects, initiatives related to RAS</i>	All
12.10	Next Meeting: Date, subject and host	
12.15	Closing	

Group Discussion 30'



- What experiences do you or does your organisation have with the specific recommendations?
- What challenges appeared and how did your organisation address them?