

Cassava Germplasm: Collection Process and Action Plan for South, East and Central Africa

Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, June 4-6, 2013		
Agenda		
Monday 3rd June	Presentation	Presenter
19:00	Informal dinner at Kebby's Hotel	
Tuesday 4th June		
08:30 - 09:00	Transfer to IITA	
	1. Introduction	
09:00 - 09:10	Official welcome	Victor Manyong
09:10 - 09:20	Official welcome	Claude Fauquet
09:20 - 09:30	Introduction of participants	
09:30 - 09:45	Background, goals and format of the meeting	Morag Ferguson
	2. Cassava landraces in SEC Africa: value, diversity and conservation status	
	<i>Chairperson: Gervais Gashaka, Rapporteur: Grace Nakabonge</i>	
09:45 - 10:05	The value of farmer varieties and indigenous knowledge in cassava breeding in Uganda	Robert Kawuki
10:05 - 10:30	The value of farmer varieties and indigenous knowledge in cassava breeding in Mozambique	Anabela Zacharias
10:30 - 11:00	<i>Tea/Coffee Break/Group photo</i>	
11:00 - 11:20	The value of farmer varieties and indigenous knowledge in cassava breeding in DR Congo	Nzola Mahungu
11:20 - 11:40	Discussion: Sharing of experiences on farmer varieties and value of indigenous knowledge	Gervais Gashaka
11:40 - 12:10	Diversity of cassava in SEC Africa	Morag Ferguson
	3. On-going cassava conservation activities in Africa	
	<i>Chairperson: Geoffrey Mkamilo, Rapporteur: Clara Samukoya</i>	
12:10 - 12:40	Cassava viruses in Africa and their impact on germplasm conservation and use	James Legg
12:40 - 13:00	Conservation activities as part of the EAAPP/NEXTGEN projects	Grace Nakabonge
13:00 - 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00 - 14:20	The SADC Genebank	Thandie Lupupa
14:20 - 14:40	Cassava conservation at IITA	Michael Abberton
	4. Introduction to a roadmap for cassava conservation and exchange in SEC Africa	
	<i>Chairperson: Morag Ferguson, Rapporteur: Heneriko Kulembeka</i>	
14:40 - 15:30	Factors to consider and process in developing a roadmap for conservation and exchange of cassava and its indigenous knowledge in SEC Africa	Paula Bramel (Webex) / Godfrey Mwila
15:30 - 16:00	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
	5. The genetic resources global policy environment	
	<i>Chairperson: Zachary Muthamia, Rapporteur: Gueye Badara</i>	
16:00 - 16:45	The Genetic Resources Global Policy Environment	Godfrey Mwila
16:45 - 17:15	Questions and answers	Godfrey Mwila
17:15 - 17:30	Outcomes of recent meeting in Bellagio	Claude Fauquet
17:30	Transport to Kebby's Hotel	

Wednesday 5th June	Presentation	Presenter
08:30 - 09:00	Transfer to IITA	
	6. Components of Genetic Resource Conservation and Dissemination	
	<i>Chairperson: Thandie Lupupa</i>	

09:00 - 09:20	Germplasm collection methodologies	Adriana Alercia
09:20 - 09:30	<i>Brainstorming: issues to consider for roadmap in working group D</i>	
09:30 - 09:50	Genebank documentation systems	Michael Abberton
09:50 - 10:00	<i>Brainstorming: issues to consider for roadmap in working group J</i>	
10:00 - 10:20	Collection and documentation of farmer knowledge	Adriana Alercia
10:20 - 10:30	<i>Brainstorming: issues to consider for roadmap in working group E</i>	
10:30 - 11:00	<i>Tea/Coffee Break</i>	
	6 cont. Components of Genetic Resource Conservation and Dissemination	
	<i>Chairperson: Able Chalwe</i>	
11:00 - 11:20	<i>In vitro</i> conservation	Gueye Badara
11:20 - 11:30	<i>Brainstorming: issues to consider for roadmap in working group F</i>	
11:30 - 12:05	<i>In -situ</i> conservation in relation to cassava	Adriana Alercia
12:05 - 12:15	<i>Brainstorming: issues to consider for roadmap in working group F</i>	
12:15 - 13:00	Tour of the proposed rooms for IITA <i>in vitro</i> and diagnostics facilities	Gueye Badara
13:00 - 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
	6 cont. Components of Genetic Resource Conservation and Dissemination	
	<i>Chairperson: Robert Kawuki</i>	
14:00 - 14:15	Genetic fingerprinting	Morag Ferguson
14:15 - 14:25	<i>Brainstorming: issues to consider for roadmap in working group G</i>	
14:25 - 14:50	Germplasm characterisation and evaluation and the importance of field genebanks	Clair Hershey
14:50 - 15:00	<i>Brainstorming: issues to consider for roadmap in working group G</i>	
15:00 - 15:20	Diagnostics, phytosanitation, phytosanitary regulations and germplasm transfer	Lava Kumar
15:20 - 15:30	<i>Brainstorming: issues to consider for roadmap in working group H</i>	
15:30 - 16:00	<i>Tea/Coffee</i>	
	7. Managing diversity in cassava varieties	
	<i>Chairperson: Claude Fauquet</i>	
16:00 - 16:20	Managing within varietal variation in the context of collection of a clonally propagated crop	Clair Hershey
16:20 - 16:40	Managing within varietal variation in context of a genebank: the options	Michael Abberton
16:40 - 17:30	Open discussion	Clair Hershey
17:30	Transport to Kebby's Hotel	

Thursday 6th June	Activity	Chairperson / Coordinator
08:30 - 09:00	Transfer to IITA	
09:00 - 09:15	Summary from yesterday's deliberations and agenda for the day	Morag Ferguson
09:30 - 10:30	8. Working groups: Development of a Regional Strategy	
	Each person to go to each working group for 20 min (except coordinators who can contribute in general discussion)	
Working group A	What should be the geographical coverage of a regional strategy for cassava conservation and germplasm exchange? Synergies between the various genebanks?	Chris Omongo
Working group B	How do we ensure the sustainability of conservation and dissemination activities in SEC Africa?	Clair Hershey
Working group C	IP issues and germplasm exchange: how to address on a country/regional basis?	Godfrey Mwila
10:30 - 11:00	<i>Tea/Coffee Break</i>	
11:00 - 11:30	Feedback from different working groups and open discussion	Morag Ferguson
11:30 - 12:30	9. Working groups: Components of a Roadmap - what are the issues that need addressing?	
Working group D	A roadmap for germplasm collection: Who? What ? How?	Edward Kanju
Working group E	A roadmap for collection and documentation of farmer knowledge: Who? What ? How?	Adriana Alercia

Working group F	A roadmap for conservation strategies: <i>in vitro</i> , field genebanks, <i>in situ</i> and safety duplication	Gueye Badara
12:30 - 13:00	Feedback from different working groups and open discussion	Claude Fauquet
13:00 - 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:00 - 15:00	9. Working groups cont.	
Working group G	A roadmap for germplasm evaluation and characterisation, including fingerprinting?	Clair Hershey
Working group H	A roadmap for safe conservation and germplasm exchange?	Lava Kumar
Working group J	A roadmap for documentation	Michael Abberton
15:00 - 15:30	Feedback from different working groups and open discussion	Morag Ferguson
15:30 - 16:00	<i>Tea/Coffee Break</i>	
	10. Consolidating meeting outputs	
16:00 - 17:15	Open discussion, outline of strategy and roadmap and outline of whitepaper	Morag Ferguson and Claude Fauquet
17:15 - 17:30	Next steps and closing	Morag Ferguson and Claude Fauquet
17:30	Transport to Kebby's Hotel	