The 9th CARD General Meeting

Day 1: Tuesday, 4th July 2023, at Sofitel Abidjan Hotel Ivoire (room Salle des Fêtes)

Chair: am: AfricaRice, pm: Côte d'Ivoire

Time	Item	Presenter
08:30-08:55	Registration	
08:55-09:00	Announcement	
09:00-09:45	Opening Ceremony	
	- Welcome remarks by co-Chair (5 min.)	Dr. Baboucarr Manneh,
	Minute of silence for Mr. Affo, former FP, Benin	AfricaRice
	- Remarks by Director of CARD Secretariat (7 min.)	Dr. Agnes Kalibata, AGRA
	- Remarks by H.E. Japanese Ambassador (10 min.)	H.E. Katsuya Ikkatai, Embassy of Japan
	- Opening Remarks by Hon. Minister of Agriculture and Rural	Hon. Kobenan Kouassi
	Development of Côte d'Ivoire (10 min.)	Adjoumani, MEMINADER
09:45-10:15	Photo session, Coffee break	
10:15-10:20	Approval of Agenda	Co-chair
10:20-10:50	Agenda 1: Report of the previous General Meeting Progress of CARD Phase 2	CARD Secretariat
10:50-12:45	Agenda 2: Updates of NRDS formulation/implementation (7 min. each)	Angola Benin Burkina Faso Burundi Central Africa Chad Congo Rep. Côte d'Ivoire DR Congo Gabon The Gambia Ghana
12:45-13:45	Lunch	
13:45-14:55	Agenda 2: Updates of NRDS formulation/implementation (7 min. each) (continued)	Guinea Guinea-Bissau Liberia Madagascar Malawi Mali Niger
14:55-15:45	Agenda 3: Research on Productivity Improvement	JICA Research Institute Prof. Keijiro Otsuka and Prof. Yukichi Mano
15:45-17:55	Agenda 2: Updates of NRDS formulation/implementation (7 min. each) (continued)	Nigeria Rwanda Senegal Sierra Leone Sudan Uganda Zambia
17:55-18:00	Wrap-up of the day	Country co-chair (CIV)
18:00-19:00	Welcome cocktail	

Day2: Wednesday, 5th July 2023, at Sofitel Abidjan Hotel Ivoire (room Salle des Fêtes)

Chair: am: JICA, pm: Burundi

Time	Item	Presenter
08:30-09:00	Registration	
09:00-10:45	Agenda 4: Coordination through CARD initiative	
	- Updates of assistance by CARD supporting partners (5 min.)	CARD Secretariat
	- Rice Flagship Program (15 min.)	Dr. George Bigirwa, AGRA
	- Policy support for industrialization of rice sector (15 min.)	Mr. Peter Anaadumba, FAO
	- Extending Seed Without Border to Africa (15 min.)	Dr. Abdelbagi Ismail, IRRI
	- Opportunities after Dakar2 (Project implementation through NRDS, ECOWAS Rice offensive, EAC Rice Development Strategy etc.) (20 min.)	Dr. Martin Fregene, AfDB
	- Introduction of participants from South-South Cooperation partners	
	- Reflections	
10:45-11:15	Coffee break	
11:15-12:15	Agenda 5: Good practices for Industrialization of the rice sector through Private sector engagement (10 min. each)	Cameroon Ethiopia Kenya Mozambique
12:15-13:15	Agenda 6: Collaboration with Private sector players	
	- Post-harvest management through industrialization (1) (10 min.)	Dr. Sali Ndindeng, AfricaRice
	- Value chain development with public & private partners (10 min.)	Mr. Kojiro Fujino, PRORIL2 (JICA/ADERIZ)
	- Case of Cambodia (20 min.) - Reflections	Dr. Martin Albani, former IFC Consultant
13:15-14:15	Lunch	
14:15-15:30	Agenda 7: Progress with RRDS through RECs	
11.13 13.30	- Progress in CARD support for formulation/implementation of RRDS (5 min.)	CARD Secretariat
	- EAC Rice Development Strategy Action Plan (15 min.)	Mr. Fahari Marwa, EAC Secretariat & Ms. Rachel Mbabazi, EAC Rice Platform
	- Progress of regional Rice Strategy formulation (15 min.)	Mr. Duncan Samikwa, SADC
	- National Chapter under ECOWAS Rice Observatory (15 min.)	Dr. Boladale Adebowale, ERO
	- Reflections	
15:30-16:15	Agenda 8: Progress of NRDS M&E	
	- CARD M&E Framework and baseline studies (15 min.)	CARD Secretariat
	- Progress in NRDS2 M&E (10 min. each)	Tanzania Togo
	- Reflections	
16:15-16:30	Agenda 9: Way forward	CARD Secretariat
16:30-16:50	Coffee break	
16:50-17:10	Co-chairs' summary	
17:10-17:15	Closing remarks	Mr. Osamu Kubota, JICA

Day3: Thursday, 6th July 2023

1) Field trip 1 by AfricaRice (AfricaRice)

Time	Event	In charge
09:00-09:30	Travel from hotels to AfricaRice's headquarters s by bus	
09:30-11:00	Presentations by AfricaRice scientists	Dr. Sali Ndindeng & Dr.
	AfricaRice's post-harvest and grain quality study	Aminou Arouna
	achievements and impacts	
11:00-11:30	Coffee break	
11:30-12:30	Sharing business experiences of woman groups in Bouaké,	Dr. Sali Ndindeng
	Côte d'Ivoire who have adopted AfricaRice's parboiling	
	systems	
	1. Watching videos	
	2. Communications with the representatives of the	
	woman groups	
12:30-14:00	Lunch at AfricaRice (catering by restaurant)	
14:00-17:00	Visit to large-scale millers in Yopougon, Abidjan	Dr. Sali Ndindeng
17:00-17:30	Travel from Yopougon back to hotels	

2) Field trip 2 by PRORIL2 (ADERIZ and JICA)

Time	Event	In charge
07:00-10:30	Travel from hotels to Yamoussoukro by bus	
10:30-11:00	Presentation on the project activities at the PRORIL2 office	
11:00-12:30	Demonstrations: 1. LABORIZ 2. Color sorter 3. Dryer & Machines	PRORIL2
12:30-13:30	Lunch (at the project office)	
13:30-15:00	Site visit: Rice field (paddy production, seeds, mechanization, milling)	PRORIL2
15:00-18:30	Travel from Yamoussoukro back to hotels in Abidjan	