



TENTATIVE AGENDA

“Agricultural Biotechnology Knowledge Network for Strengthening Regional Cooperation and Knowledge Sharing.”

2-4 July 2012

Cairo-Egypt

Date	Duration (hours)	Topics
Monday 2 July 2012	08:30 – 09:00	Registration
	09:00 -09:10	Opening Session: - Statement of AARINENA
	09:10-09:20	- Statement of FAO
	09:20-10:00	- Key Note Speaker on “Current developments in knowledge management towards facilitating biotechnology for Impact on innovation challenges and opportunities for future action”.
	10:00-11:00	(*) Status of ICT structure, infrastructure and applications existed to manage and disseminate information and knowledge of Agricultural Biotechnology Innovations Information in the Region: Cyprus, Egypt, Emirates, Iran and Iraq.
	11:00-11:30	Coffee Break
	11:30 – 13:00	Status of ICT structure, infrastructure and applications existed to manage and disseminate information and knowledge of Agricultural Biotechnology Innovations Information in the Region: Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Saudi Arabia and Sudan
	13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
	14:00- 15:00	Status of ICT structure, infrastructure and applications existed to manage and disseminate information and knowledge of Agricultural Biotechnology Innovations Information in the Region: Syria, Qatar, Tunisia, Turkey and Yemen
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break	
15:30 – 17:00	An Overview of Agricultural Biotechnology Knowledge Network for Near East and North Africa	

(*) 10-12 minutes allocated for each status report.

Tuesday 3 July 2012	09:30 - 10:30	Agricultural Biotechnology Knowledge Network components, information flow and management
	10:30 -11:00	Coffee Break
	11:00 - 13:00	<p>Hands-on training on how to use and operate the regional biotechnology information and knowledge thematic network.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An overview of AGRIS origin, vision and approach; front-end and content management system of Biotechnology publication module including workflow functionalities. - Introduction: Using AGRIS Application Profile in MAF/NAKEMS: Goals, Objectives and Methodology and AGRIS Application Profile: what is an application profile? Advantages and Essential Definitions. - Elements in AGRIS Application Profile: Titles, Creators, Publishers, Subjects, identifiers, Formats and availability in addition to issues concerning AGRIS Bibliographic levels. - Hands-on training on the use of AGRIS AP for improving publications and documents for indexing, cataloguing and quality control.
	13:00- 14:00	Lunch
	14:00 - 17:00	<p>Hands-on training on how to use and operate the regional biotechnology information and knowledge thematic network.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hands-on Training on Back end and Content Management System of News Information System module, Meetings and Events Information System module, Real Simple Syndicate (RSS) News and Events, country reports Information System module, Success Stories Information System Module, Good Practices Information System module, Facts and Figures information Management System, Links and about Information System module: to acquire the data and metadata data related to relevant modules of Biotechnology and work on the data entry screen, queries and reports of these modules including workflow functionalities.
	19:00- 20:00	Dinner

Wednesday 4 July 2012	09:30 - 10:30	<p>Hands-on training on how to use and operate the regional biotechnology information and knowledge thematic network.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hands-on Training on Back end and Content Management System of Institutions Information System module: to acquire the data and metadata data related to the Institution structure and work on the data entry screen, queries and reports of this module. - Hands-on Training on Back end and Content Management System of Personnel/Researchers Information System module: to acquire the data and metadata data related to Personnel/Researchers Information in research and any other scientific disciplines and work on the data entry screen, queries and reports of this module. - Hands-on Training on Back end and Content Management System of Projects Information System module: to acquire the data and metadata data related to the projects in research and any other scientific disciplines and work on the data entry screen, queries and reports of this module.
	10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break
	11:00 - 13:00	<p>Hands-on training on how to use and operate the regional biotechnology information and knowledge thematic network.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hands-on Training on Back end and Content Management System of Extension Bulletins Information System module, Rural Women Information System module, Success Stories Information System Module and Good Practices Information System module including workflow functionalities. - Wrapping-up training on backend of all modules, conceptual design of the network and operational framework at regional and national levels.
	11:00 - 12:30	Workgroup session on regional biotechnology information and knowledge network (mechanisms to manage the structure and functions of the national and regional network)
	12:15 - 13:00	Lunch
	13:00 - 14:00	<p>Plenary session: findings and recommendations</p> <p>Tentative Work Plan (2012) and Tasks to be shared by the participants after return- first step for collaboration on content development required for developing the joint regional network.</p>
	14:00 - 15:00	Evaluation and closing ceremony