

## AARINENA Executive Committee Meeting New Delhi-India 8 November 2006

AARINENA Executive Committee held its meeting in New Delhi, India on 8 November 2006. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Ahmed Al Bakri President of AARINENA.

The Committee discussed and recommended the following:

1. Present the following amendments to the constitution to the next general conference:
  - The reference of the pronoun “he” in the Constitution Articles will be amended to “he/she” and “chairman” to “chairperson”.
  - Rule XIV of the general rules of procedures will be changed to: “amendments or additions to these general rules may be adopted by “a simple majority of...” instead of “a two thirds majority” to be in line with Article XII of the Constitution.
  - The term for Executive Committee members be for three years renewable once instead of two years to save funds by holding the General Conference every three years.
- To add one new member to the Executive Committee for the position of the “President” in addition to the five sub-regional representatives and the Executive Secretary.
- Add three new members to the Executive Committee to include representatives of GFAR, CGIAR centers and civil society organizations.
2. Contact International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) and ICARDA for their support of a new proposal on Livestock Genetic Resources Consortium/ Network.
3. Consult ICARDA on the interest of Agricultural Research and Education Organization (AREO)-Iran in establishing regional IPM Network.
4. Recommends Pakistan representative, Dr. Mohamed Afzal to represent West Asia sub-region on the Executive Committee as an observer up to the next General Conference.
5. Request Dr. Mohamed Roozitalab to serve as an advisor to the Executive Committee.

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