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AARINENA Participation in the CGIAR's Mega Programs (MPs)

The Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) is in the process of developing Mega Programs (MPs) that will define the research agenda of the centers. CGIAR centers have been outlined in the MP development process and organizing critical events to enable wider consultation with relevant partners involved in the MPs. In this context, AARINENA participation in the CGIAR's MPs is as follows:

- Dr. Sami Sabry from Agricultural Research Center (ARC) of Egypt represented AARINENA in the Stakeholders Meeting for MP3 on Dry land Cereals (held from 2-3 August 2010) and Grain Legumes (held from 6-7 August 2010) in Nairobi, Kenya. This meeting was organized by the International Crops Research Institute for Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) that has lead the development of MP3 on Dry land Cereals-Food security and growth for the world's most vulnerable poor; and MP3 on Grain Legumes- Enhanced food and feed security, nutritional balance, economic growth and soil health for small holder farmers.
- Dr. Faisal Awawdeh, Director General of the National Center for Agricultural Research and Extension (NCARE) of Jordan in the Second MP1.1 Stakeholder Consultative Conference on integrated agricultural production systems for dry areas, organized by ICARDA and held at its Headquarter in Aleppo, Syria from 9-10 August 2010.
- Dr. Mahmoud Duwayri, President of Ajloun Private University in Jordan, will represent AARINENA in the Consultative Meeting to develop CGIAR MP2 on Policies, Institutions, and Markets to Strengthen Assets and Agricultural Incomes for the Poor, organized by IFPRI in Addis Ababa from 17-19 August 2010.