

Agricultural Science and Technology Indicators (ASTI) initiative in WANA

AARINENA, and the Agricultural Science and Technology Indicators (ASTI) team of the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) worked closely with the principal agricultural R&D agencies of 5 Near East and North Africa (NENA) countries (Egypt, Morocco, Iran, Jordan and Syria) to collect, analyze, synthesize, and disseminate data on institutional and financial trends in agricultural research. Detailed surveys and face-to-face interviews were conducted with the principal public and private agricultural R&D agencies in each country.

The entire survey, analysis and report preparation is scheduled to be completed by the end of December 2011.

However, data collected on investment, capacity, and institutional trends for the period 2007-2010 on the agricultural research systems to update the existing ASTI datasets, and ensure the accessibility and the utilization of the data through in-depth policy analysis, issuance of reports, workshops, and other forms of dissemination and Capacity Indicators.