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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its Fourteenth Regular Session in April 2013, the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (Commission) adopted the *Strategic Plan for the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture 2014-2023* (Strategic Plan 2014-2023) as the planning and implementation framework to assist Members of the Commission, the Bureau and the Secretariat of the Commission, FAO and other organizations to the implementation of the Multi-Year Programme of Work (MYPOW).¹ The Commission requested its Secretary to align the Strategic Plan 2014-2023 with FAO's Reviewed Strategic Framework, Medium Term Plan and Programme of Work and Budget.² It took note of the human and financial resources available within FAO for the implementation of the Multi-Year Programme of Work (MYPOW), stressed the importance of adequate, stable and predictable financial resources being made available for all sectors of genetic resources, in a strategic manner, over the coming years, and requested that more detailed information be provided at its Fifteenth Session.³

2. This document presents the contribution of the Commission's MYPOW to FAO's Strategic Objectives and related human and financial resources.

II. MYPOW CONTRIBUTION TO FAO'S STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

3. The FAO Conference, at its Thirty-eighth Session in June 2013, approved the Reviewed Strategic Framework 2010-19, the Director-General's Medium-Term Plan (MTP) 2014-17, and the Programme of Work and Budget (PWB) 2014-15.⁴ The Reviewed Strategic Framework includes FAO's Vision, the revised Global Goals, the five new Strategic Objectives, as well as a sixth objective on technical quality, knowledge and services and the cross-cutting themes of gender and governance (see *Appendix I*). The MTP/PWB set out FAO's corporate results framework with outcomes, outputs and measurable indicators of achievement with targets, and the required resources. The FAO Conference emphasized that the five Strategic Objectives represent those areas of work on which FAO will focus its efforts in support of Member Nations and welcomed their cross-cutting nature, which will enable the Organization to work in a multi-disciplinary and integrated manner.

4. FAO supports the implementation of the Commission's MYPOW by providing human and financial resources for the Commission's secretariat and through the Strategic Objective work plans.

5. FAO's work on genetic resources for food and agriculture contributes to all Strategic Objectives. For example, the conservation and sustainable use of genetic resources are essential to *help eliminate hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition* (Strategic Objective 1). Genetic resources are important to *increase the resilience of livelihoods to disasters* (Strategic Objective 5). The strategic use of genetic resources, including the development of plants and livestock that are resilient to biotic and abiotic factors, are essential to *reduce rural poverty* (Strategic Objective 3). Also, genetic resources have a role to play in *enabling inclusive and efficient agricultural and food systems* (Strategic Objective 4) by ensuring food traceability.

6. The Commission's MYPOW mainly contributes to *increase and improve provision of goods and services from agriculture, forestry and fisheries in a sustainable manner* (Strategic Objective 2 and its four key Outcomes) through the development, adoption and implementation of practices, policies, and governance arrangements for sustainable production. The Commission's areas of work as set out in the Strategic Plan and MYPOW have been mapped to the four outcomes of FAO's Strategic Objective 2 in *Appendix II*.⁵ Examples on how MYPOW's specific activities, services and products contribute to the four Outcomes are also presented below:

¹ CGRFA-14/13/Report, paragraph 113.

² CGRFA-14/13/Report, paragraph 117

³ CGRFA-14/13/Report, paragraph 110.

⁴ C 2013/7 *Reviewed Strategic Framework*, C 2013/3 MTP/PWB, C 2013/REP paragraphs 96-110, and CL 148/3 Adjustments to PWB 2014-15.

⁵ More details on activities can be found in document CGRFA-15/15/Inf.29 *Implementation Plan for the Commission's Multi-Year Programme of Work (2014-2023) - Annex to the Strategic Plan 2014-2023*.

- Outcome 1 *Producers and natural resource managers adopt practices that increase and improve the provision of goods and services in agricultural sector production systems in a sustainable manner* – Implementation of instruments, such as sectorial Global Plans of Action on animal, plant or and forest genetic resources or technical guidelines, developed or endorsed by the Commission, through technical assistance in field projects supporting *inter alia in situ* and on-farm management, *ex situ* conservation, development and testing of new varieties and breeds, and production and distribution of seed.

- Outcome 2 *Stakeholders in member countries strengthen governance – the policies, laws, management frameworks and institutions that are needed to support producers and resource managers in the transition to sustainable agricultural sector production systems* – Support to countries to integrate into their regulatory framework and policies global instruments for the conservation and sustainable use of genetic resources, including through the development of national strategies for GRFA and national seeds policies.

- Outcome 3: *Stakeholders develop, adopt and implement international governance mechanisms and related instruments (standards, guidelines, recommendations, etc.) which are needed to improve and increase provision of goods and services in agricultural sector production systems in a sustainable manner* – Provision of secretariat services to the Commission and its intergovernmental technical working groups; preparation of global instruments for adoption or endorsement by the Commission.

- Outcome 4: *Stakeholders make evidence-based decisions in the planning and management of the agricultural sectors and natural resources to support the transition to sustainable agricultural sector production systems through monitoring, statistics, assessment and analyses* – Enriching the knowledge base in the areas of genetic resources, strengthening capacities to monitor and conduct analysis of the status of conservation and use, through national and global assessments as part of the activities for the preparation of State of the World's reports on genetic resources and biodiversity for food and agriculture.

III. HUMAN AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

7. FAO's activities and results pertaining to genetic resources in food and agriculture are embedded in the work plans of the Strategic Objectives, with most of the activities in Strategic Objective 2. The Strategic Objective Coordinators have the overall conceptual leadership and are accountable for the delivery of the outputs and achievement of the outcomes defined in the Strategic Objectives work plans, in collaboration with technical departments and regional offices, including the genetic resources related staff, ensuring that activities contribute to the overall results framework of the Organization. The use of these resources and the achievement of the results are monitored in the context of the Organization's results framework and reported to the Governing Bodies in the annual Mid-Term Review Synthesis Report and biennial Programme Implementation Report.

8. In PWB 2014-2015, the resources available for the Commission's MYPOW can be summarized as follows:

- Ring-fenced resources for the Commission's Secretariat, the three Intergovernmental Technical Working Groups and a contribution to the implementation of milestones foreseen by the MYPOW for the biennium 2014-15, which amount to USD 3.2 million;
- Resources allocated by the Strategic Objective Coordinators through internal planning that also contribute to different areas of work of the MYPOW, mainly under Strategic Objective 2, which amount to approximately USD 7 million USD (predominantly for technical staff); and
- Extra-budgetary resources provided by countries under specific trust fund projects or programmes amounting to about USD 23.7 million, of which about USD 10 million to support national and sub-regional implementation of the Global Plan of Action for Plant Genetic Resources and about USD 10 million to support national and regional implementation of the Global Plan of Action for Animal Genetic Resources, during the biennium 2014-2015.⁶

⁶ Extra-budgetary resources were kindly provided by the European Union, the Global Environmental Facility, the World Bank, the African Development Bank and IAEA through the Joint FAO/IAEA Division of Nuclear

IV. GUIDANCE SOUGHT

9. The Commission may wish to:
 - i. Take note of the alignment of the Multi-Year Programme of Work to the FAO Reviewed Strategic Framework;
 - ii. Recognize that genetic resources contribute to all of FAO's Strategic Objectives and that within the 2014-15 biennium the Multi-Year Programme of Work mainly contributes to Strategic Objective 2;
 - iii. Acknowledge the support of FAO and donor countries to the implementation of the Multi-Year Programme of Work; and
 - iv. Invite donors to provide extra-budgetary resources to support the implementation of the Multi-Year Programme of Work and the participation of developing countries in relevant meetings.

APPENDIX I

FAO RESULTS FRAMEWORK – MAIN COMPONENTS

FAO's Vision

A world free of hunger and malnutrition where food and agriculture contribute to improving the living standards of all, especially the poorest, in an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable manner.

Three Global Goals of Members

1. Eradication of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition, progressively ensuring a world in which people at all times have sufficient safe and nutritious food that meets their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life;
2. Elimination of poverty and the driving forward of economic and social progress for all, with increased food production, enhanced rural development and sustainable livelihoods; and
3. Sustainable management and utilization of natural resources, including land, water, air, climate and genetic resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

Strategic Objectives

1. Contribute to the eradication of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition
2. Increase and improve provision of goods and services from agriculture, forestry and fisheries in a sustainable manner
3. Reduce rural poverty
4. Enable more inclusive and efficient agricultural and food systems
5. Increase the resilience of livelihoods to threats and crises

Additional Objective

6. Technical quality, knowledge and services

Cross-cutting Themes

- Gender
- Governance

Core Functions

1. Facilitate and support countries in the development and implementation of normative and standard-setting instruments, such as international agreements, codes of conduct, technical standards and others
2. Assemble, analyse, monitor and improve access to data and information, in areas related to FAO's mandate
3. Facilitate, promote and support policy dialogue at global, regional and country levels
4. Advise and support capacity development at country and regional level to prepare, implement, monitor and evaluate evidence-based policies, investments and programmes
5. Advise and support activities that assemble, disseminate and improve the uptake of knowledge, technologies and good practices in the areas of FAO's mandate
6. Facilitate partnerships for food security and nutrition, agriculture and rural development, between governments, development partners, civil society and the private sector
7. Advocate and communicate at national, regional and global levels, in areas of FAO's mandate

Functional Objectives

- Outreach
- Information Technology
- FAO Governance, oversight and direction
- Efficient and effective administration

APPENDIX II

MYPOW ALIGNMENT – IMPLEMENTATION AND OUTCOMES OF FAO STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE 2

A. MYPOW 2014 – 2017

FAO Strategic Objective 2 <i>Increase and improve provision of goods and services from agriculture, forestry and fisheries in a sustainable manner</i> MYPOW Areas of work	Outcome 1 Producers and natural resource managers adopt practices that increase and improve the provision of goods and services in agricultural sector production systems in a sustainable manner;	Outcome 2 Stakeholders in member countries strengthen governance – the policies, laws, management frameworks and institutions that are needed to support producers and resource managers in the transition to sustainable agricultural sector production systems	Outcome 3 Stakeholders develop, adopt and implement international governance mechanisms and related instruments (standards, guidelines, recommendations, etc.) which are needed to improve and increase provision of goods and services in agricultural sector production systems in a sustainable manner	Outcome 4 Stakeholders make evidence-based decisions in the planning and management of the agricultural sectors and natural resources to support the transition to sustainable agricultural sector production systems through monitoring, statistics, assessment and analyses
Biodiversity for food and agriculture				Presentation of <i>The State of the World's Biodiversity for Food and Agriculture</i> (MYPOW 2016-2017)
Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	Support implementation of the Second <i>Global Plan of Action for Plant Genetic Resources</i> (2014-2017)		Review of implementation of the Second <i>Global Plan of Action for Plant Genetic Resources</i> (MYPOW 2014-2015)	Preparation of the Third <i>Global Plan of Action for Plant Genetic Resources</i> (2014-2017)

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Animal Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	Support implementation of the <i>Global Plan of Action for Animal Genetic Resources</i> (2014-2017)		Consideration of the updated <i>Global Plan of Action for Animal Genetic Resources</i> (MYPOW 2016-2017)	Presentation of the Second Report on <i>The State of the World's Animal Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture</i> (MYPOW 2014-2015)
Forest Genetic Resources	Support implementation of the <i>Global Plan of Action for the Conservation, Sustainable Use and Development of Forest Genetic Resources</i> (2014-2017)			
Aquatic Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture				Preparation of <i>The State of the World's Aquatic Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture</i> (MYPOW 2016-2017)

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<p>Cross-sectorial matters</p> <p>Access and Benefit-sharing</p>			<p>Consideration of draft elements to facilitate domestic implementation of access and benefit-sharing for different subsectors of genetic resources for food and agriculture (MYPOW 2014-2015)</p>	
<p>Climate change and genetic resources</p>			<p>Review implementation of the programme of work on climate change and genetic resources (MYPOW 2016-2017)</p>	
<p>Biodiversity and nutrition</p>			<p>Consideration of draft Guidelines Mainstreaming Biodiversity into Policies, Programmes and National and Regional Plans of Action on Nutrition (2014-2015)</p>	

FAO Strategic Objective 2 <i>Increase and improve provision of goods and services from agriculture, forestry and fisheries in a sustainable manner</i>		Outcome 1	Outcome 2	Outcome 3	Outcome 4
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	Biotechnologies			Review of the work of the Commission's Working Groups on application and integration of biotechnologies for conservation and sustainable utilization of GRFA (MYPOW 2014-2015)	
	Targets and indicators			Review and analyse lessons learned from the implementation of targets and indicators (MYPOW 2016-2017)	
MYPOW				Progress Report/ Periodic assessment/ Review MYPOW (MYPOW2016-2017)	
Secretariat service				Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture Intergovernmental Technical Working Groups	