Global Forum on Agricultural Research 2000
SESSION 2: PROMOTION OF INNOVATIVE RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS

Monday 22 May 2000
10:30-12:15 PARALLEL SUB-PLENARY SESSION
Review of partnerships for the four GFAR priority themes

Sub-Plenary 3: International cooperation on commodity chains

Chairperson:  Dr. Robert Friesen
President, Canadian Federation of Agriculture

10:30 – 10:45  Keynote Address  Dr. Steve Sonka
Director, National Soybean Research Laboratory, USA

10:45 – 11:00  Presentation of the GFAR Resource Person
Dr. Emile Frison
Director, INIBAP

11:00 – 11:40  Presentation of Successful Research Partnership (8 minutes each)
Case 1: ICLARM & ACIAR: IARC-Donor Partners for Progress in Aquaculture in the Pacific Islands
Presentor: Dr. Modadugu Gupta
Director, ICLARM

Case 2: Innovative Research Partnerships in the development of Hot Pepper Marketing in the Caribbean
Presentor: Dr. Compton Paul
Executive Secretary, PROCICARIBE

Case 3: BUROTROP: A Global Network for the Development of Research on Tropical Perennial Oil Crops
Presentor: Dr. Francois Rognon
Director, BUROTROP

Case 4: PROMUSA: A Global Program for Musa Improvement
Presentor: Dr. Emile Frison
Director, INIBAP

11:40 – 12:15 DISCUSSION
Participants to each of the four sub-plenary sessions are divided into two working groups to elaborate an implementation strategy for global partnership and to suggest concrete proposals for action, based on the portfolio of proposed innovative partnerships. For each theme, the two working groups share the same basic documentation but focus their discussion on two complementary sub-themes.

**Theme 3**

**Group 5: Under-utilized and Orphan commodities**
Facilitator: Dr. Cees Karssen  
Rektor Magnificus, Wageningen Agricultural University  
The Netherlands

Rapporteur: Dr. Namzul Haq  
Director, Environmental Research Group  
International Center for Underutilized Crops

**Group 6: Global commodity chains**
Facilitator: Dr. Oumar Niangado  
Mali

Rapporteur: Dr. Harold Kauffman, USA  
Professor and Assistant Dean, University of Illinois

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