



Terms of References Steering Committee of the Global Action for Fall Armyworm Control

The Global Action for Fall Armyworm Control is a pioneering initiative that aims to mobilize USD 500 million over the period 2020–2022 to take radical, direct and coordinated measures to fight Fall Armyworm at a global level. The three key objectives of the Global Action are to:

- Establish a global coordination and regional collaboration on monitoring, early warning, and intelligent pest management of FAW;
- Reduce crop losses caused by FAW;
- Reduce the risk of further spread of FAW to new areas (Europe and South Pacific).

The Global Action connects national ground work directly to the global political level through the establishment of a Steering Committee, which will bring together high-level decision-makers and strategic leaders to provide programmatic orientation and oversight of the implementation of the Global Action. More specifically, the Steering Committee will:

- Set overall programmatic priorities;
- Approve the annual work plans;
- Oversee the implementation of the Global Action and its workplans;
- Provide strategic guidance for the overall direction of the action;
- Guide further investments and resource mobilization efforts to enhance impact; and,
- Consider annual reports put forward by the Secretariat.

The Steering Committee will be chaired by the Director-General, FAO, co-chaired by the FAO Deputy Director-General for Natural Resources, and will include Vice-Chairs from Africa (Director-General, International Centre for Insect Physiology and Ecology), Asia (Vice President, Chinese Academy of Agriculture Science), Near East (Director-General, International Center for Biosaline Agriculture), and Latin America (President, Brazilian Agricultural Research Corporation).

Steering Committee Members will also include representatives from: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, European Union Commission, Croplife International/PAN, the African Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, Inter-American Development Bank, the World Bank and the World Trade Organization. The Secretary of the Steering Committee will be the Director of FAO's Plant Production and Protection Division.

The Steering Committee is foreseen to meet every four months (virtually).