

Developments and priorities in the implementation of the Global Strategy in Latin America and the Caribbean

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**High Level Stakeholders Meeting
on Global Strategy**

From plan to Action



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Context

- In 2010 at the Statistical Conferences for the Americas - ECLAC the Agriculture Statistics Working Group (ASWG) was formed
- It was decided that this group will be in charge of the implementation of the GS in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- The ASWG is coordinated by Brazil, who also represents the Region in the Global Steering Committee. A second country was to be decided.

Work Plan 2012

Output 1: Governance Activities

1.1 First meeting of the Agricultural Statistics Working Group of the Statistical Conference of the Americas.

1.2 Preparation of Implementation Plan of the Global Strategy for the Region.



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Output 1: Governance

Activity 1.1

- The ASWG met for the first time in September 2012 in Aguascalientes, Mexico.
- The 12 the countries in the ASWG were invited and 9 participated in the meeting (Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru and Dominican Republic)



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Output 1: Governance

Activity 1.1 Main outcomes

The governance structure for the Global Strategy was established.. It was decided to follow the guidelines for Governance set up in the Global Action Plan.

- The Regional Steering Committee will be composed by the ASWG of the SCA with each country represented by 1 representative of the NSO and 1 of the Ministry of Agriculture, FAO, ECLAC and other International Organizations such as IDB, FIDA, IICA and CARICOM among others.
- There's going to be a Regional Executive Committee integrated by Brazil, Mexico, FAO and other international organizations.

Output 1: Governance

Activity 1.1 Main outcomes (Con't)

- Each country in the ASWG committed to sensibilise other countries in the Region on the importance of the GS. All countries in the Region not present in the meeting were distributed among the present ones.
- It was also discussed that the Steering Committee should see to coordinate and harmonize the international assistance in the Region.
- Mexico was designated to be the second country to represent the Region in the Global Steering Committee.

Output 1: Governance

Activity 1.2 Main outcomes

- It was decided that a consultant will be contracted to draft the Implementation Plan of the Global Strategy for the Region. This plan should be prepared for endorsement of the Regional Steering Committee in the first semester of 2013; and then in turn by the Global Steering Committee.



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Output 2: Assessment of estate of Agricultural and Rural Statistics in countries in the Region

Activities

2.1 Perform country assessment

2.1.1 Revise Standard questionnaire for country evaluations

2.1.2 Translate to Spanish Standard questionnaire for country evaluations

2.1.3 Collect and compile countries information to estimate indicators

2.1.4 Estimate indicators

2.1.5 Report on the estate of Agricultural and Rural Statistics in the region



Output 2: Assessment of estate of Agricultural and Rural Statistics in countries in the Region

Activity 2.1. Main outcomes

- The standard questionnaire was translated into Spanish and then revised at the ASWG meeting.
- Colombia, Mexico and Peru committed themselves to fill in their questionnaire and send it to do pilot evaluations.
- The pilot evaluations of Colombia and Peru are in the process of being analyzed by the Regional Executive Committee.
- Capacity building themes common to the countries present at the meeting were discussed. The main ones identified were: definition of a sector statistical system and its integration to the NSS, understanding of the GS and statistical survey frames.
- Emphasis was also put on South-South cooperation.



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Resource Mobilization for the Region

- This year the Region received USD 90,000 as seeding money to get started. Funds for the implementation of the GS in the Region need to be mobilized.
- Possible donors will be asked to make donations as money contributions or as in kind contributions.



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Priorities for 2013

- Finalize the Regional Implementation Plan and get it endorsed by the Regional Steering Committee and then by the Global Steering Committee.
- Resource mobilization for the Region..
- Perform country assessments in the region.



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