

GCP 2007 ARM

NARS PARALLEL SESSIONS

In attendance were members from NARS across the globe (this included Research Institutions and the Universities)

One third of the group were non NARS

EMBRAPA, BRAZIL

NRCRI, NIGERIA

ARI UKRIGURU, TANZANIA

INERA, BURKINA FASO

KARI, KENYA

BENIN

IIAM MOZAMBIQUE

MAKERERE UNIVERSITY, UGANDA and many others

HOW CAN THE THIS PARTNER COMMUNITY (NARS) BEST HELP SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE GCP?

- Validation of traits for MAS GCP mandated crops
- GCP could link up with existing regional organizations
- NARS could serve as training centers especially for phenotyping
- Publicize GCP activities through NARS various, Websites and other avenues
- The NARS could use products developed by GCP at all levels
- NARS should be encouraged to give feedback to GCP through regular contacts
- GCP should encourage NARS to involve the universities as partners

What can the GCP do to take maximum advantage of the expertise and the perspectives of NARS?

- GCP should support experts from the advanced labs. to visit the NARS
- Professorial chairs could be established at universities and research institutes to teach and mentor young scientists.
- GCP should promote networking among NARS in the sub regions (Joint projects, etc)

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- GCP could identify existing expertise available which when tapped would strengthen partnerships
- IP issues should be revisited

Issues of concern

- What are the tangible GCP products that NARS can promote?
- Why is the GCP not visible, compared to the CG's?
- *How does GCP decides on projects to be funded?*

Thank you! Medaase! Asante Saana!

