

Owned, Agreed, Collaborative Action Plans

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Action Plan Title	Goal / Vision	Key Objectives	Method of delivery
EcoAgriculture	To achieve sustainable agriculture and associated natural resource management – that embraces and simultaneously enhances Productivity, Rural Livelihoods, Ecosystem services and Biodiversity	To promote EcoAgriculture by catalysing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Research and land use innovation with farmers and conservationists ▪ Capacity Building ▪ Education and public awareness raising ▪ Resource mobilisation 	Draft Type II partnership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A 2003 international EcoAgriculture conference ▪ A supporting secretariat ▪ Support for ‘Ground level projects’ ▪ Strengthening educational and outreach channels
Local Enterprise Development	Develop an Independent Not-for-Profit Network to exchange information & knowledge that is cohesive, yet decentralised enough to provide culturally relevant information that supports local enterprise development.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Facilitate linkages between stakeholders that will lead to the success of local enterprise. 	Draft Type II partnership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Local information centres ▪ Newsletters, ▪ Monitoring to ensure that support matches needs.
Expansion of the web-based agricultural educational tool, AgLe@rn	To build capacity for sustainable agriculture , through the provisional of appropriate agricultural information via the agLearn programme	Expand agLearn to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Broaden module content ▪ Engage more partners ▪ Encompass wider geographic outreach, especially within Africa 	Draft Type II partnership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An impact monitoring and evaluation action plan ▪ Wider availability of scholarships funds ▪ Ascertain further commitment to partnerships
Secure and Equitable Access to Land	Secure and Equitable Access to Land for sustainable development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Social and economic development ▪ Food Security ▪ Social empowerment 	Two integrated strategies for partnerships: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening civil society through knowledge dispersal and project replication. • Sharing best practice experiences through effective communication and appropriate strategies. 	Draft Type II partnership Exchanging experiences on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best practices • conflict management • women’s empowerment
Capacity Building for Agricultural Media Professionals (AMPs)	To empower AMPs in developing countries to utilise a full spectrum of resources so resource poor farmers can fully contribute to national, regional and global food security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve and maximise the skills and capacity of AMPs, through training workshops a • Provide AMPs with the necessary guidance to meet industry standards • Establish, implement and sustain high standards of agricultural journalism 	Draft Type II partnership An agreed action plan to ensure objectives are achieved, with <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designated tasks • Targets • Timeframes • Code of Conduct • Resource acquisition strategies.
Smallholder irrigation promotion in semi-arid areas	Boosting food security by promoting small-holder irrigation in semi-arid areas , initially based on low pressure drip irrigation and treadle pumps.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased food security at house hold, local and national levels • Increased capacity for adaptive research and extension • Increased and diversified incomes for resource poor farmers 	Draft Type II partnership <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A multi-disciplinary steering committee by Dec. 2002 • Draft project proposal by June 2003 for submission to donors.



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Agriculture presents some of the most thorny problems for sustainable development. To some people, the challenge of feeding the world's population points inexorably towards large-scale farming with massive chemical inputs and the embracing of genetic modification and other modern techniques. For others, the sustainable solution must lie at the opposite end of the spectrum in respecting traditional methods of managing land and natural resources, and protecting the rights of small scale enterprises and mixed cultivation in local communities.

Beneath the storm and lightning of these major global debates, a whole range of more locally based initiatives to find the way forward on sustainable agriculture are emerging. Stakeholder Forum's Implementation Conference over the last three days has acted as midwife for the expansion of six new global partnerships for local sustainable agriculture action. These new partnerships have brought together professionals, international organisations and a variety of local groups to create new networks and action on the ground.

Details of these partnerships are set out in the attached table and further analysis of agricultural issues is available in today's issue of *Outreach*. For further commentary on all the issues raised, the following experts are available for comment:

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