

FAO activity report 2010-2011



17th ERF meeting
Stavanger, 27-28 August 2011

Communication

- Reporting on GPA on several international conferences, scientific papers
- DAD-net
- AGR – 47 and 48
- Publication of SoW-AnGR (full report) in Bahasa Indonesia
- Publication of GPA and SoW-AnGR (in brief) in more national languages by NCs

Global Plan of Action



Arabic, Chinese, Czech, Danish, English, French, German, Greek, Japanese, Nepalese, Norwegian, Polish, Portugese, Russian, Spanish, Thai

in preparation: Bahasa Indonesia, Burmese, Hindi, Hungarian, Laotian, Korean, Mongolian, Romanian, Serbian, Slovakian, Turkish, Vietnamese

Support for national implementation of the *Global Plan of Action*

Support to countries by FAO and partners

- **Technical**
 - 26 scientific and 23 conference papers
 - 26 regional capacity-building workshops with about 11 countries participating
 - operated or developed 30 projects in 100 countries
 - 2 guidelines published
 - 5 draft guidelines finalized & endorsed by CGRFA#13
 - 2 more under development

Support to countries by FAO and partners

- **Policy**

- Global Plan of Action translated to 10 languages serving 20 more countries (in addition to 6 official FAO languages)
- AU-IBAR Strategic Plan 2010-2014
- Informal survey: National Strategies and Action Plans
 - 16 endorsed
 - 21 under development

- **Regional Focal Points**

- Europe
- Latin America
- Central and West Africa

CGRFA#13 endorsed 5 technical guidelines

- *Draft guidelines on developing the institutional framework for the management of AnGR*
- *Draft guidelines on surveying and monitoring of AnGR*
- *Draft guidelines on molecular genetic characterization of AnGR*
- *Draft guidelines on phenotypic characterization of AnGR*
- *Draft guidelines for the cryoconservation of AnGR*
- requested FAO to publish and widely distribute these guidelines, and encouraged countries to make use of them.

Targets and indicators - CGRFA#13

Indicators as cross-cutting issue in CGRFA#14

- requested FAO to identify or refine indicators to measure progress made in the implementation of the GPA-AnGR and to continue to further develop, through regionally balanced consultations, the CBD's headline indicator for trends in genetic diversity of domesticated animal species of major socioeconomic importance
 - E-consultation
- requested its ITWG-AnGR to work further on the definition of breed categories, in addition to the already agreed definitions of local and transboundary breeds of livestock

Exchange (technical) – CGRFA#13

- invited FAO to assist countries to initiate the development of **technical protocols** for the exchange of animal genetics resources for the purpose of multi-country activities in the management of animal genetic resources for food and agriculture, including gene banking, especially in light of spreading diseases, climate change and natural and human-induced disasters
- requested its Working Group on AnGR to discuss measures to facilitate exchange of genetic material among countries

ABS – CGRFA#13

- invited **countries** to consider the importance and specific characteristics of GRFA and their special role in food security, in the development and implementation of national access and benefit-sharing arrangements
- Established an *Ad Hoc* Technical Working Group on Access and Benefit-sharing for GRFA
- agreed to consider the need for and modalities of ABS arrangements for GRFA, at its 14th Session, taking into account the outcomes of the meeting of the Working Group on ABS, as well as any recommendations submitted by the ITWGs
 - Report of the ABS-WG reviewed by ITWG-AnGR

Climate change – CGRFA#13

- Develop a roadmap or work programme on climate change and GRFA
- requested FAO to compile information on hotspots of biodiversity for food and agriculture that are under particular threat from climate change
 - Meeting on AnGR and climate change in 2012
- requested FAO to strengthen capacity-building activities, to assist countries in the management of genetic resources for food and agriculture for the adaptation to, and mitigation of climate change
 - TCPs etc

Funding strategy

Different sources of funding

- Bi- and multilateral funds at FAO
 - Multi-donor trust fund programme (GCP/GLO/306/MUL (29 mill US-\$, 5 yrs)
 - German funds for AnGR
 - AnGR components under
 - Sweden, Norway & Turkish FAO partnership programmes
 - Spanish funds to CGRFA/MYPOW
 - involved in EU GENRES and GEF Projects (no FAO budgets)
- Trust Account (GCP/GLO/287/MUL)



PROGRAMMES/PROJECTS

Implementing the Global
Plan of Action for Animal
Genetic Resources

Funding strategy

Reporting system

Intergovernmental
process

Funding Strategy

The Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture oversees, monitors and evaluates the implementation of the *Global Plan of Action for animal Genetic Resources*. In 2009, the Commission adopted the *Funding Strategy for the Implementation of the Global Plan of Action for Animal Genetic Resources*, the objective of which is to:

"to enhance the availability, transparency, efficiency and effectiveness of the provision of substantial and additional financial resources, and to strengthen international cooperation to support and complement the efforts of developing countries and countries with economies in transition in the implementation of the Global Plan of Action."

The Funding Strategy encompasses four different types of resources:

- bilateral, regional and multilateral support to countries in their implementation of the *Global Plan of Action* – including support provided by foundations, the private sector, non- governmental organizations and other sources;
- financial resources for national implementation of the Global Plan of Action, in accordance with each country's national capacities and financial resources;
- Regular Programme resources of FAO dedicated to the implementation of the *Global Plan of Action*; and
- voluntary contributions received through the FAO Trust Account for the Funding Strategy for the

Launch (21 July 2011)

The Governments of Germany, Norway and Switzerland invited to a Side Event to the 13th Session of the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

Donors' presentations:
[Switzerland](#) – [Norway](#)

Examples of developing countries' implementation:
[Chile](#) – [Kenya](#)

See also...

[FAO press release](#)[Swiss press release](#)

Voluntary contributions to the FAO Trust Account

Donor	Date	Contribution
Switzerland	December 2009	50.000 US-\$
Switzerland	December 2010	250.000 US-\$
Norway	December 2010	100.000 US-\$ (+50.000 US-\$)
Germany	July 2011	480.000 €

CGRFA#13 requested FAO to launch the first call for proposals

First call for proposals – CGRFA#13

- delegated the approval of project proposals to its Bureau
- stressed the important role of the Bureau of the ITWG in the screening, evaluation and appraisal of project proposals
- limited the number of proposals to no more than one per country
- limited projects eligible for funding to those relating to the priorities in Section A, paragraph 5, subparagraphs 1-3, of the Funding Strategy

First call for proposals – CGRFA#13

- Limited the initial maximum allocation per project
 - USD 50 000 for single-country projects
 - USD 100 000 for bilateral, regional or multilateral projects
- Limited the project length to not more than 2 yrs
- Encouraged the submission of regional, bilateral or multilateral project proposals
- Encouraged RFP where they exist, or regional networks, to facilitate pre-screening of concept notes, thereby reducing project screening, administrative and overhead costs
 - Consultation with RFPs on process

First call for proposals – approx. timeline

Time	Actor	Activity
15 Sept 2011	FAO	Launch 1st Call for proposals
15 Sept -15 Nov	Countries	Prepare pre-proposals / concept notes
Nov - Dec 2011	RFP / FAO	Pre-screen concept notes
Dec - Jan 2012	FAO	Screen concept notes
Jan 2012	ITWG bureau	Review / recommend screened concept notes Designate panel of experts
Feb 2012	CGRFA bureau	Approve selected concept notes
Feb 2012	FAO	Response to applicants and invitations to submit full project proposals
1 Mar - 30 May	Countries	Prepare full proposal
Jun –Jul 2012	Panel of experts	Appraises proposals
Jul 2012	ITWG bureau	Recommends best proposals
Aug 2012	CGRFA bureau	Approves projects

First call for proposals – CGRFA#13

- Funding Strategy beneficiaries shall
 - make data and information generated in the context of their projects publicly available, and report relevant breed related information to DAD-IS
- FAO shall
 - administer, implement, monitor and evaluate projects funded under the Trust Account, in line with the rules and procedures laid out in the Funding Strategy and FAO procedures
 - to prepare draft monitoring procedures, as envisaged in the Funding Strategy Annex I Section C, II Project Cycle, paragraph 8c, for consideration at its 14th Regular Session in order to use experience gained in the first round of projects in preparing for subsequent calls for proposals

Reporting and monitoring of the FS

- requirements will vary depending on the range and types of financial sources that are included in the Funding Strategy
- progress reporting on the implementation of the *Global Plan of Action* and of status and trends reports may form an important part of the monitoring and progress reporting within the Funding Strategy

FS Reporting Requirements

Illustration

FAO progress report

- Spending per
 - Strategic Priority Area
 - Stakeholder group, region, country
 - Species/Breeds addressed
- Donor information:
 - by contributors category
 - by region

Country progress reports

- Questionnaire
 - comprising 69 single-choice and open questions
 - 62 questions structured by Strategic Priority Areas and respective core indicators
 - 7 questions on implementation and financing of GPA on AnGR

Project reporting under Trust account

- Project information
 - Project description
 - Project status
 - Project funding
- Impact assessment
- Selection criteria
 - according to FS, Section C, Part III

	RP	VC	TA
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S	SPA 1		
S	SPA 2		
S	SPA 3		
S	SPA 4		

Questionnaire to support preparation of Country Progress Reports on the implementation of the Global Plan of Action

STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREA 1: CHARACTERIZATION, INVENTORY AND MONITORING OF TRENDS AND ASSOCIATED RISKS

Core indicators:

1. The state of inventory and characterization of animal genetic resources
2. The state of monitoring programmes and country-based early warning and response systems
3. The state of international technical standards and protocols for characterization, inventory, and monitoring

Questions:

- Has a first inventory of the location, population status and trends and characteristics of your animal genetic resources been completed for all livestock species of economic importance?
 - ☐ Completed
 - ☐ Partially completed

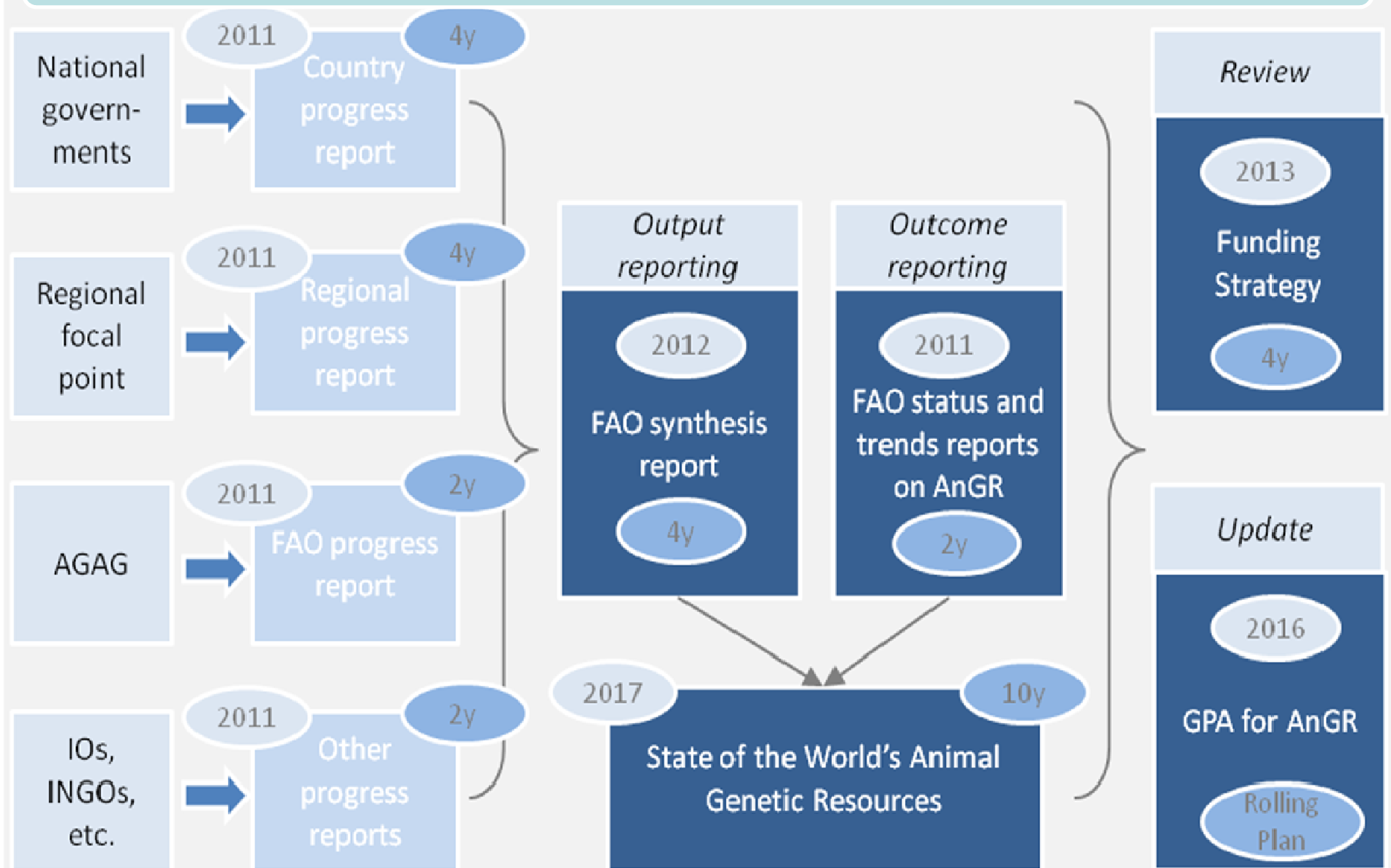
Trust Account reporting by Secretariat

Information provided by project reporting

Other information, e.g.

- Status of funds under TA
- Beneficiaries and donor information
- Assessment of overall operation of TA
- Potential improvement of Funding Strategy

Reporting lines for the implementation of the GPA on AnGR



20xx Date of next compilation of document

xy Frequency of compilation of document (in years)



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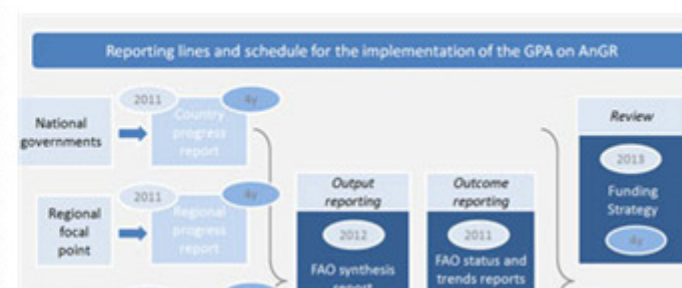
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Reporting system

The reporting system for the implementation of the *Global Plan of Action* encompasses two elements: activities undertaken and outcome in terms of status of animal genetic resources diversity. Information on activities undertaken as part of the implementation of the *Global Plan of Action* is obtained from a number of sources in accordance with an agreed timetable. National governments provide country progress reports every four years, based on a standard questionnaire prepared for the purpose. Regional Focal Points for Animal Genetic Resources (where established) also have the opportunity to provide reports on their activities. International governmental and non-governmental organizations also provide information on their relevant activities via a questionnaire every 2 years. FAO prepares reports on its activities related to the *Global Plan of Action* every two years. Finally, information from countries, regions and international organizations is drawn together in synthesis progress reports prepared by FAO every four years. Information on the status and trends of animal genetic resources themselves is made available in reports prepared by FAO every two years using data from the Domestic Animal Diversity Information System (DAD-IS).



Reports

FAO progress reports
2010/ 2011:

FAO Progress Report on the
Implementation of the
*Global Plan of Action for
Animal Genetic Resources*
(CGRFA-13/11/15)

FAO Progress report on the
Implementation of the
*Global Plan of Action for
Animal Genetic Resources*
(CGRFA/WG-AnGR-6/10/2)

Detailed FAO Progress
Report on the
Implementation of the
*Global Plan of Action for
Animal Genetic Resources*
(CGRFA/WG-AnGR-
6/10/Inf.2)

Progress report by
international
organizations - 2011:

Progress report of
International Organizations
on the Implementation of
the *Global Plan of Action for
Animal Genetic Resources*
(CGRFA-13/11/Inf.16)

FAO Status and Trends
of Animal Genetic
Resources:

Status and Trends of Animal

Country progress reports

- CGRFA#12 endorsed the flexible use of the questionnaire prepared by FAO to assist preparation of Country Progress Reports, and requested FAO to enable countries also to report electronically

Regional Progress Reports

- Responsibility for Regional Progress Reports and establishing a process for their preparation lies with the regions
 - Highlight regional collaborative efforts
 - Indicate regional priorities for capacity-building
- It might be possible to standardize the format for regional reporting to assist global synthesis. FAO could explore this possibility through communication with existing RFP.

(CGRFA/WG-AnGR-5/09/3.1 , para 16)

Synthesis Progress Reports

- synthesis of the data and information received from countries and regions
- provides an understanding of what has been achieved
- highlights country and regional needs and priorities (mobilization of technical and financial support)
- provide the CGRFA with a basis from which to decide on future work and priorities to further the implementation of the GPA
- contributes to global communication efforts to enhance understanding of essential roles of AnGR and their contribution to achieve food security and eradicate poverty

Country progress reports - timeline

Time	Actor	Activity
Oct 2011	FAO and selected NCs	Questionnaire testing
	FAO	Standardized electronic format and data collection
Dec 2011	FAO	Circular state letter / NC invitation
Jan – 28 Feb 2012	NCs / countries	Country Progress Report preparation
March 2012	RFP	Regional Progress Report preparation
	FAO	Preparation of Synthesis Report as info-doc
Oct 2012		Review by ITWG#7
2013		Review by CGRFA#14

Next steps and outstanding issues

- Prepare ITWG#7, 22-26 October 2012
 - FAO Progress Report on the implementation of the Global Plan of Action for Animal Genetic Resources
 - Status and Trends report
 - invite NCs to update DAD-IS for Status and Trends report; support country update of DAD-IS
 - Synthesis Report on GPA implementation
 - Draft technical guidelines for the implementation of the Global Plan of Action for Animal Genetic Resources
 - In vivo conservation
 - Animal identification, traceability and performance recording
 - ? consultation on the CBD's headline indicator for trends in genetic diversity of domesticated animal species of major socioeconomic importance and 'native' breeds

Next steps and outstanding issues

- Implement the first call for proposals for the Funding Strategy
- Roll-out of GIS-based PEDS module in FABISnet
- Conference on climate change
- Facilitate regional and international collaboration (RFPs)
- Technical guidelines/ tools and technical/policy support
- Training and research
- Development of partnerships, fundraising



Funding Strategy - Project cycle

Countries submit
concept notes

Call for
proposal

- FAO prepares
- ITWG guides
- CGRFA 13 issues

Countries submit
full proposals

Screening of
concept notes

- FAO secretariat screens
- ITWG Bureau recommends
- CGRFA Bureau approves
- FAO secretariat invites project proposals

Appraisal of
full proposals

- FAO pre-screens
- Panel of experts designated by ITWG Bureau appraises
- ITWG Bureau recommends

Approval of
projects

- CGRFA 14 or
- CGRFA delegation to extended CGRFA bureau
- FAO disburses