

STAKEHOLDERS' DIALOGUE
ON
“BIOSAFETY REGULATIONS IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION”
Royal Princess Hotel, Larn Laung, Bangkok
(16-17 April 2013)

Program

16 April 2013

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| 08:30- 09:30 | Registration | |
| 09:30-10:25 | Inaugural Session | |
| 09:30- 09:45 | Welcome Address | Dr. Raj Paroda, Executive Secretary, APAARI |
| 09:45-10:00 | Opening Remarks | Dr. Simon Hearn, Chairman, APAARI |
| 10:00-10:20 | Release of Publication & Inaugural Address | Dr. Hiroyuki Konuma, ADG, FAO-RAP |
| 10:20-10:25 | Vote of Thanks | Dr. J. L. Karihaloo, Coordinator, APCoAB-APAARI |

10:25 – 11:00 **Group Photograph & Tea/Coffee Break**

Session I: Status of Agricultural Biotechnology and Biosafety Regulations in Asia-Pacific

Chair: Dr. Simon Hearn, ACIAR

Co-Chair: Dr. Wais Kabir, BARC

Rapporteur: Dr. K. V. Prabhu, IARI

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| 11:00-11:30 | Overview and APAARI's role | Dr. J. L. Karihaloo, Coordinator, APCoAB-APAARI |
| 11:30-11:50 | Bangladesh | Dr. Wais Kabir, BARC |
| 11:50-12:10 | India | Dr. Kavita Gupta, NBPGR |
| 12:10-12:30 | Malaysia | Dr. Umi Kalsum Abu Bakar, MARDI |
| 12:30-12:50 | Pacific | Dr. Toshiro Shigaki, NARI |
| 12:50-13:15 | Discussion | |

13:15-14:15 Lunch Break

Session II: Status of Agricultural Biotechnology and Biosafety Regulations in Asia-Pacific

Chair: Dr. Iftikhar Ahmad, PARC

Co-Chair:

Rapporteur: Dr. Kavita Gupta, NBPGR

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| 14:15-14:35 | Pakistan | Dr. Iftikhar Ahmad, PARC |
| 14:35-14:55 | Chinese Taipei | Ms Hung Hsi Lee, COA |
| 14:55-15:15 | Thailand | |
| 15:15-15:45 | Tea/Coffee Break | |
| 15:45-16:05 | Vietnam | Dr. Pham Van Toan, VAAS |
| 16:05-16:25 | Recent issues on GM crops needs and regulations in India | Dr. K. V. Prabhu, IARI |
| 16:25-17:00 | Discussion | |

18:30 Dinner hosted by APAARI

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Session III: Key note lectures

Chair: Dr. Masa Iwanaga, JIRCAS

Co-Chair:

Rapporteur: Dr. Kavita Gupta, NBPGR

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| 09:00-09:25 | Genetically modified vegetable crops to small holder farming systems: current situation and future developments | Dr. Roland Schafleitner, AVRDC |
| 09:25-09:50 | Asia-Pacific regional cooperation in biosafety regulations | Dr. Banpot Napompeth, NBCRC |
| 09:50-10:15 | Biosafety information sources | Dr. Keng Yeang Lum, CABI |

10:15-10:45 Tea/Coffee Break

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| 10:45-11:10 | Communication strategies for agricultural biotechnology and biosafety | Dr. George B. Fuller, AFS |
| 11:10-11:35 | Biosafety compliance support being provided by ICRISAT | Dr. K. K. Sharma, ICRISAT |
| 11:35 – 12:00 | Discussion | |

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

Session IV: Discussion on Key Issues

| | Topic: | Facilitator |
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| 13:00-13:30 | Biotechnology R&D priorities especially aimed at small holders | Dr. Roland Schafleitner, AVRDC |
| 13:30-14:00 | Enhancing communication for public awareness | Dr. George B. Fuller, AFS |
| 14:00-14:30 | Regional Cooperation for biosafety management | Dr. Banpot Napompeth, NBCRC |

14:30-15:00 Tea/Coffee Break

15:00--16:00 Concluding Session

Chair: Dr. Raj Paroda, APAARI

Co-Chair:

Rapporteur: Dr. K. K. Sharma, ICRISAT

Presentation of recommendations by Facilitators, discussion and closing remarks by Chair and Co-Chair