

**Letter of Agreement
between
the Rural Development Administration of the Republic of Korea
and
the KoLFACI Member Countries**

1. Description of the Programs

KoLFACI will implement the multilateral Programs stated below in order to increase farming household's income by exploring fertilizer resources and developing technologies that contribute to stable production of food crops.

Program Section	Program Title	Scope of the Program	Program Outcomes
Rice Program (Pan-Latin American and Caribbean Countries)	Productivity enhancement of rice by improving water management	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Analyzing current status on water supply, related facilities, irrigation system and management technologies in each member country 2. Demonstration of appropriate irrigation system for rice cultivation 3. Synthesizing technologies for stable production of rice, storage, distribution, sales and post-harvest management Capacity building for producers and technicians related to rice breeding and cultivation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Doubling of rice yield 2. Optimized water management for different regions 3. Mechanized production system for small scale farms
Cacao Program	Development of an exemplary management model for small scale cacao farms in Central America	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Inspecting cacao production in each member country to analyze current status and collect high yield and quality cacao variety 2. Developing optimized cultivation technique and quality improvement technique, and enhancing eco-friendliness to disseminate success cases of high yield and quality production 3. Capacity building for producers and technicians 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Publication of standardized cacao crop calendar 2. Publication of standardized cacao farming practice handbook

Organic Fertilizer Program	Securing organic materials and developing nutrient management system for stable production of food crops	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Analysis on the potential fertilizer resources of the member countries, review of the feasibility of producing organic fertilizer, and development of optimized model for small holder farmers' fertilizer management 2. Selecting a representative farming household to apply the fertilizer management model and demonstration on farms to analyze the yield improvement 3. Capacity building including workshop, training, and information sharing 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Food crop fertilization manual for small holder farmers 2. Establishment of organic fertilizer supply system for each member country
----------------------------	--	--	--

2. Program Duration

The programs will be carried out for two (2) years from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2016. The program duration may be extended by one (1) year depending on the evaluation results and the member countries' consensus.

3. Program Evaluation

3.1 The program implementation in each member country is evaluated in the last month of program year (September), the evaluators are recommended by the KoLFACI Secretariat.

3.2. The Principal Investigator (PI) generates an annual report and the final report within thirty (30) days after the Program completion.

4. Program Implementers and Program Fund

4.1. The Principal Investigators will draw specific work plans for the country and analyze the impact after implementation of the program.

4.2. The program Leaders of RDA provide advice and support regarding program implementation, the adequacy of the programs, related technologies, sharing of information and experience, exchange of researchers, and technology training workshops.

4.3. For the Rice Program, RDA will contribute a total of US \$30,000 to each member country. For Cacao Program and Organic Fertilizer Program, RDA will contribute a total of US \$20,000 to each participating country.

4.4. The KoLFACI Secretariat will strive to design various programs for agricultural development in Latin America and Caribbean region and secure additional budget for the current and newly developed programs.

4.5 The program fund will be remitted yearly to the bank account designated by the implementing organization of the member countries. The fund will be disbursed through the KoLFACI Secretariat.

5. Agreement on Technical Cooperation Program (TCP)

The Principal Investigators will reach an agreement with the KoLFACI Secretariat on the TCP between RDA and the implementing organization of the pertinent member country by October 31, 2014.

6. Program Planning

6.1. The planning meetings and workshop for the programs will be held annually to chart and coordinate the direction of the programs.

6.2. The planning meetings and workshop will take place in one of the KoLFACI member countries.

6.3. The related expenses will be shouldered by the KoLFACI Secretariat and the fund will be remitted based on the LOA between the hosting country and the Secretariat.

7. Termination

Termination of the program, modification of research strategy, alteration of budget and exchange of researchers shall be decided through each year's evaluation process.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereunto have affixed their signatures to this LOA in the Republic of Korea, on September 16, 2014.

For the
**Rural Development Administration,
The Republic of Korea**



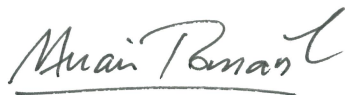
Yang-ho Lee
Administrator

For the
**National Institute of Agriculture,
Livestock and Forestry for innovation,
Bolivia**



Hans Franklin Mercado Rios
Director General

For the
**Ministry of Agriculture and Rural
Developmente, Colombia**



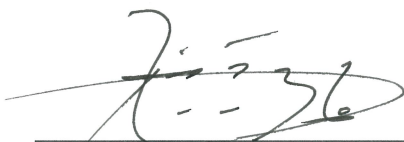
Hernan Miguel Roman Calderon
Vice Minister

For the
**Ministry of Agriculture and
Livestock, Costa Rica**



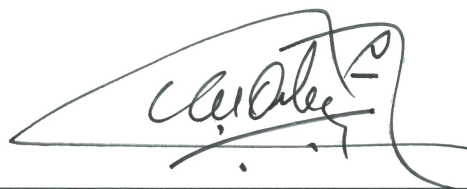
Gina Paniagua Sanchez
Vice Minister

For the
**Ministry of Agriculture, Dominican
Republic**



Claudio Gregorio Jimenez Alvarado
Vice Minister

For the
**Ministry of Agriculture and
Livestock, El Salvador**



Orestes Fredesman Ortez Andrade
Minister

For the
**Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock
and Food, Guatemala**



Carlos Alfonso Anzueto Del Valle
Vice Minister

For the
**Ministry of Agriculture and
Livestock, Honduras**



Moises Abraham Molina Guillen
Vice Minister

For the
**Ministry of Agriculture, Natural
Resources and Rural Development,
Haiti**



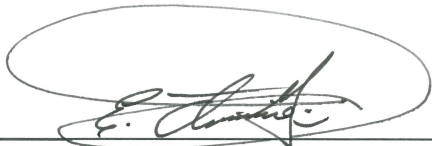
Vernet Joseph
Secretary

For the
**Ministry of Youth and Member of the
System of Production, Consumer and
Trade, Nicaragua**



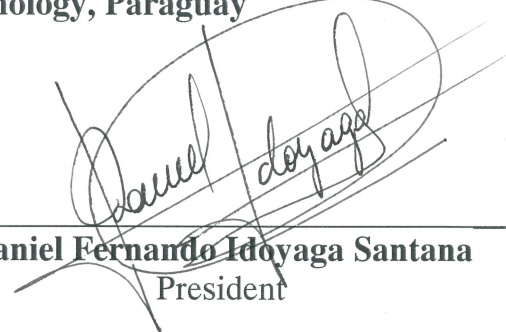
Bosco Martin Castillo Cruz
Minister

For the
**Ministry of Agricultural Livestock
Development, Panama**



Esteban Antonio Giron Diaz
Vice Minister

For the
**Paraguyan Institute of Agricultural
Techology, Paraguay**



Daniel Fernando Idoyaga Santana
President

For the
**National Institute of Agricultural
Innovation, Peru**



Jesus Francisco Caldas Cueva
Director General of Agricultural
Extension