



Forty-second Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee

**Status of the resolutions of the Twentieth First Regular Meeting
of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA)-Rev.1**

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1. General Information

The Twentieth-First Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA) was held at the Headquarters of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) in San Jose, Costa Rica, from 01-02 September 2021.

Mrs. Tereza Cristina Corrêa da Costa Dias, Minister of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply of Brazil, chaired the meeting, and Mr. José Abelardo Mai, Minister of Agriculture, Food Security and Enterprise of Belize, served as the Rapporteur.

2. Status of the resolutions adopted by the IABA

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<p>Resolution No. 530 “Management Report of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) for the period 2018-2021”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To accept the 2018-2021 Management Report presented by the Director General.2. To congratulate the Director General and the staff of the Institute on the results achieved in technical cooperation during the aforementioned period, as well as in the process to modernize IICA at the financial and technical levels	Resolution implemented	
<p>Resolution No. 531 “The transformation of agrifood systems and the role of agriculture in the Americas”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To express full support for the general messages of the hemisphere’s agriculture sector with a view to the Food Systems Summit 2021, which are incorporated as an annex to this resolution.2. To request that the Chair of the IABA and the Director General of the Institute send these messages to the Summit.	Resolution implemented	

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. To invite the Member States of IICA, where possible, to incorporate these messages in support of the agrifood systems of the Americas into the positions that they will adopt at the Food Systems Summit 2021. 4. To request that the Director General include in the 2022-2026 Medium-term Plan (MTP) of the Institute a strategic and proactive approach to agrifood system transformation in the Americas, which will enhance the contribution of the hemisphere’s agriculture sector to global food and nutrition security, bearing in mind the following principles: a) recognition of the important role of agricultural producers in this process, b) the need to generate solutions to bring about this change, based on the priorities of the countries; and c) the promotion of partnerships and coalitions with all production sectors. 5. To thank IICA and the Director General for the excellent work undertaken to support the participation of Member States in the process leading up to the Food Systems Summit 2021. 		
<p>Resolution No. 532 Report on “The Outlook for Agriculture and Rural Development in the Americas: A Perspective on Latin America and the Caribbean”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To accept the report, “The Outlook for Agriculture and Rural Development in the Americas: A Perspective on Latin America and the Caribbean,” a document that will prove extremely useful for the governments of the region as input for analysis and policy formulation. 	Resolution implemented	

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. To urge ECLAC, FAO and IICA to continue to jointly prepare this report, to operate the platform www.agrirural.org and to generate additional, complementary products, by allocating the necessary human, financial and other resources to successfully carry out these tasks. 3. To request that the member countries of the Institute supply the official information required to continue advancing towards the development of a competitive, sustainable and inclusive agriculture sector. 		
<p>Resolution No. 533 “Authorization for the Forty-second Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee to approve the Medium-term Plan of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) for the period 2022-2026”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To instruct the Director General to prepare the Institute’s MTP for 2022-2026, in consultation with the Member States, bearing in mind the IABA and Executive Committee resolutions that are currently in force, and to include in the Plan a strategic and proactive approach to agrifood system transformation that enhances the contribution of the hemisphere’s agriculture sector to global food and nutrition security and recognizes the important role of agricultural producers in this process. 2. To authorize the Executive Committee to approve, at its Forty-second Regular Meeting, IICA’s 2022-2026 MTP, together with adjustments to the allocation of funds under the Institute’s 2022-2023 Program Budget required for its implementation. 	Resolution implemented	<p>On 17 May 2022, at the regular meeting of the GCC, the Director General presented the guidelines for IICA's action in the period 2022-2026 to the Member States.</p> <p>The document is included among the working documents of the Forty-Second Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee (July 19 and 20, 2022).</p>

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<p>4. To request that the Director General ensure that the strategic vision and technical cooperation actions aimed at reducing gender gaps and inequalities are strengthened in the 2022-2026 Medium-term Plan, with a view to increasing the empowerment and equitable inclusion of rural women in the development of the agrifood systems of the Americas.</p>	<p>Operative paragraph in effect</p>	<p>The topic was included in the PMP 2022-2026 proposal</p>
<p>Resolution No. 535 “Ministerial commitment to support the fight against African swine fever”</p> <p>1. To thank the Government of the Dominican Republic and the Government of Haiti, by way of their Ministers of Agriculture, for the efforts that both countries are undertaking in the health, economic and social spheres to control and eradicate ASF.</p> <p>2. To recognize the importance of the implementation of national, regional and hemispheric actions and initiatives by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), the International Regional Organization for Plant and Animal Health (OIRSA), the General Secretariat of the Andean Community (SG-CAN), the Standing Veterinary Committee of the Southern Cone (CVP), the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), the Caribbean Animal Health Network (CaribVET), the PanAmerican Association of Veterinary Sciences (PanVet), the Latin American and Caribbean Feed Industries Association (FeedLatina), the Ibero-American Pork Organization (OIPORC) and the</p>	<p>Resolution in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p>	

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<p>Resolution No. 536 “Support for the recovery of the agriculture and rural sector of the Republic of Haiti”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To express complete solidarity with the people and Government of the Republic of Haiti and to recognize the efforts being made to address the current emergency. 2. To urge the member countries of IICA, to the extent that they are able, to commit to provide technical and financial assistance to support that country, particularly resources that will help to guarantee food security. 3. To instruct IICA to collaborate with its strategic partners to provide technical cooperation services and to coordinate the necessary assistance to mitigate the impact on the agriculture and rural sector of Haiti, particularly to support family farmers with seeds and inputs, given the upcoming planting season for corn and beans. 	<p>Resolution in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p>	

Resolution No. 537 “2022-2023 Program Budget”	Resolution implemented	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To approve the overall allocation of USD 32,074,100 per year from the Institute’s Regular Fund for the 2022-2023 Program Budget, financed by; (i) USD 29,574,100 in annual quota contributions from the Member States, as indicated in the scale attached hereto as Annex A, which includes the assessed quotas computed in accordance with the percentages established in the quota scale approved by the OAS General together with over-quota contributions, and (ii) USD 2,500,000 per year in estimated miscellaneous income. 2. To approve the use of resources for the 2022-2023 Program Budget, in the amount of USD 32,074,100, in accordance with the allocations for each of the chapters, headings and programs specified in Document IICA/JIA/Doc. 408 (21), “2022-2023 Program Budget,” of which a summary by chapter is attached to this resolution as Annex B. 3. To authorize the Director General to effect transfers among chapters of the Program Budget, provided that the total transfers do not significantly affect the priorities approved. 4. To authorize the Director General to make the necessary adjustments in the allocation of resources approved in this resolution, should the combined income for fiscal years 2022 and 2023 fall below the estimated levels, and to inform the Executive Committee and the IABA of this situation. 5. To instruct the Director General to ensure that any additional over-quota contribution received that exceeds the total amount approved for the 2022-2023 biennium is applied to the Regular Fund to finance the 2022-2023 Program Budget. 		

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<p>Resolution No. 538 “Report on the Collection of Quotas”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To thank the Ministers of Agriculture and Foreign Affairs, as well as other high-level government officials of IICA’s Member States, for the efforts they have been making to honor their annual quota payments to the Institute in a timely fashion. 2. To acknowledge the fact that, amidst the difficult situation that IICA and its Member States are facing as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, it has become even more important to maintain in effect the measures established by the Executive Committee and the IABA to urge the Institute’s Member States to make their annual quota payments and pay arrears for previous years in a timely fashion. 3. To maintain in effect the measures established by the Executive Committee and the IABA to encourage the Member States to make their annual quota payments to IICA in a timely fashion and to pay arrears for previous years. 4. To instruct the Director General of the Institute to continue efforts to collect the quotas of the Member States, both for the current year and previous years, and to keep the Member States informed of progress in this area. 5. To strengthen the commitment of the Member States to remain current with the payment of their annual quotas, and to reach an agreement with IICA, as necessary, for the payment of quotas owed for previous years. 	<p>Resolution implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph implemented</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p> <p>Operative paragraph in effect</p>	<p>The steps of thanking and monitoring the payment of fees have been carried out as planned, obtaining satisfactory results.</p> <p>Updated information on the results of progress in the collection of fees will be presented for consideration by the Executive Committee at its Forty-Second Regular Meeting, to be held from July 19 to 20, 2022.</p>

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<p>Resolution No. 539 “2019 and 2020 Financial Statements of IICA, Report of the External Auditors and Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh Reports of the Audit Review Committee (ARC)”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To approve the 2019 and 2020 financial statements of the Institute, as well as the reports of the external auditors. 2. To accept the Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh Reports of the ARC. 3. To express to the members of the ARC the satisfaction and appreciation of the IICA Member States for the work accomplished. 	Resolution implemented	
<p>Resolution No. 540 “Amendments to the Bylaws of the Inter-American Commission on Organic Agriculture (ICOA)”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To approve the ICOA Bylaws, incorporating them as an annex to this resolution. 2. To request that the Director General of the Institute, by way of ICOA’s Technical Secretariat, inform the ICOA Member States, of the approval of its revised Bylaws, and also to inform them that ICOA continues to be a Special Committee of the IABA, under Article 52 of the IABA Rules of Procedure. 	Resolution implemented	
<p>Resolution No. 541 “Strengthening of the strategic alliances of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To thank the Director General of IICA and the different strategic partners of the Institute for their efforts in formalizing cooperation agreements and memorandums of 	Resolution implemented	

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<p>understanding with IICA, in order to strengthen and bolster international technical cooperation for the benefit of agriculture and the rural territories of the Americas.</p> <p>2. To urge the Member States to support and promote the joint actions resulting from the Institute’s new strategic alliances, in their respective countries and with regional integration mechanisms.</p>		
<p>Resolution No. 542 “General power of attorney of the Director General-elect of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture for the period 2022-2026”</p> <p>1. To grant to the Director General-elect a general power of attorney for a period of four years, beginning 15 January 2022, so that he may faithfully fulfill the responsibilities of Director General conferred upon him under Article 20 of the Convention on IICA and Chapter II of the Rules of Procedure of the General Directorate.</p> <p>2. To confer this general power of attorney, pursuant to the general stipulations of the Civil Code of the Republic of Costa Rica, the host country of the Institute and, in particular, to Article 1253 of said Code.</p> <p>3. To authorize the Director General-elect, Mr. Manuel Rodolfo Otero Justo, to grant and revoke powers of attorney of all kinds, and to register the power of attorney conferred upon him, where indicated.</p> <p>4. To request that the Director General-elect carry out the other legal procedures required to comply with this resolution.</p>	Resolution implemented	

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<p>Resolution No. 543 “Status of the resolutions of the Twentieth Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA) and the Fortieth and Forty-first Regular Meetings of the Executive Committee”</p> <p>To accept the reports “Status of the Resolutions of the Twentieth Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA)” and “Status of the Resolutions of the Fortieth and Forty-first Regular Meetings of the Executive Committee”.</p>	Resolution implemented	
<p>Resolution No. 544 “Date and venue of the Twenty-second Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture”</p> <p>To hold the Twenty-second Regular Meeting of the IABA at IICA Headquarters, in San Jose, Costa Rica, in the second half of 2023, without prejudice to the possibility of the Executive Committee accepting an invitation to hold the meeting at another site, pursuant to Article 18 of the Rules of Procedure of the IABA.</p>	Resolution in effect	