

INTER-AMERICAN BOARD OF AGRICULTURE - IABA

SEVENTEENTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE IABA AND MEETING OF MINISTERS OF AGRICULTURE OF THE AMERICAS 2013

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DATE AND VENUE OF THE EIGHTEENTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE IABA

Buenos Aires, Argentina September 24-27, 2013 With respect to the regular meetings of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA), the Rules of Procedure of the Board stipulate the following:

Article 16. The Board shall hold one regular meeting every two years, preferably in the second half of the second year of the Institute's biennium. At each regular meeting of the Board, a tentative date and place for the next meeting shall be determined, in accordance with written offers addressed by the governments of the Member States to the Director General.

Article 17. The Board shall deliberate on offers of a site in accordance with the principles of rotation and geographic distribution.

Article 18. If no site is offered, or if the regular meeting cannot be held at the site agreed upon, the Board shall meet at the headquarters of the Institute. However, if at any time before the call to the meeting is issued, one or more Member States offers to host the meeting, the Committee may decide by majority vote of its members, either in session or by correspondence, that the regular meeting of the Board shall be held at one of the sites offered.

Article 19. The Director General shall transmit to the Member States and the other participants the call to each regular meeting of the Board at least 60 days prior to the opening date thereof.

In light of the above, at its Seventeenth Regular Meeting, the Board is required to take a decision with respect to the venue of its next regular meeting, due to be held in the second half of 2015, which will be organized within the framework of the Meeting of Ministers of Agriculture of the Americas 2015.