

Croplands Research Group Meeting Rooms 5 and 6, Marriott Waterside Hotel and Marina, 700 South Florida Avenue, Tampa, Florida, USA

7 November 2013

Overview and Meeting Summary

The fifth meeting of the Croplands Research Group of the Global Research Alliance on Agricultural Greenhouse Gases ("the Alliance") was held at the Marriott Waterside Hotel and Marina, 700 South Florida Avenue, Tampa, Florida USA on 7 November 2013 following the ASA-CSSA-SSSA "Tri Societies" annual meeting.

The meeting was attended by 41 participants, representing 21 Alliance member countries, one Alliance Partner and other invited speakers and was chaired by USA (Dr Alan Franzluebbers, USDA-ARS) as Co-Chair of the Croplands Research Group.

The meeting achieved the following outcomes:

- Update from the Alliance Secretariat including outcomes from the latest Council meeting.
- Updates on the other Research Groups of the Alliance.
- Identification of adaptation and mitigation synergies and opportunities in the workplan.
- Development of a Partnership and alignment of activities with CCAFS.
- Launch of the GRAMP website.
- Announcement of a modelling project workshop in collaboration with the Soil Carbon and Nitrogen Cross-cutting Group Paris, France, 17-19 March 2014.
- Further discussion on the work areas identified at the last meeting, and development of the identified activities in the Group workplan.
- An agreement to contribute to regular emails and questions, continuing activities between meetings.
- Next steps for the Group and discussion about future meetings.

The Group will present an update on progress of these actions at the next Alliance Council meeting and will meet again in August 2014 alongside the European Society of Agronomy, Debrecen, Hungary (http://www.esa2014.hu/).

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