

## **Paddy Rice Research Group Meeting EMBRAPA Clima Temperado, RS - Brazil**

20-21 February, 2015

# **Overview and Meeting Summary**

The Second Meeting of the America's Sub-Group of the Paddy Rice Research Group of the Global Research Alliance on Agricultural Greenhouse Gases ("the GRA") was held at EMBRAPA Temperate Agriculture Research Centre, in Pelotas, RS - Brazil on 20 and 21 of February 2015. The GRA meeting was chaired by Uruguay (Mr Gonzalo Zorrilla, INIA) as Co-Chair of the Paddy Rice Research Group and Dr. Walkyria Bueno Scivittaro as research leader of rice gas emissions at EMBRAPA.

The meeting was attended by 40 participants, representing 9 GRA Member countries and partner organisations.

The meeting achieved the following outcomes:

- Overview of the Global Research Alliance on Agricultural Greenhouse Gases and aims of the Council and other Research Groups.
- Updated a list of researchers and national contacts of the Paddy Rice Research Group in the Americas and identified countries that should be invited to join.
- Update on research advances in different countries in the region (Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay).
- Targets for a concept note and proposal for a multi-site/country experiment were identified: 1. gas emission comparison among regions, climates and production systems; 2. modelling of gas emission in different systems; 3. better understanding of the soil microbiology related with GHG emissions from rice paddies.
- Identified the next steps for the Group, and date for the next meeting is to be decided.

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