GRA Operational Plan 2021-2025

ACTORS		Council	Members	Research Groups	Partners	Secretariat	Special Rep	Single Actors
PRIORITY ACTIONS								
Further Research Collaboration								
Thematic focus	Support development and implementation of the proposed International Research Consortium on soil carbon						x	France
	Flagship proposal MAC-B adaptation and mitigation models.							AG-MIP, IRG, Indonesia, Turkey
	Identification of co-benefits from reducing emissions, as a way to prioritise agricultural practices that also contribute to adaptation and other areas (e.g. air quality, water saving, productivity)			x				Mexico, Netherlands, Circular Food Systems Network, CCAC
	Establish working group to explore the role of innovation within the GRA (e.g. plant genetics), to advance mitigation objectives, ensuring farmers participation, and report back to the 2022 Council meeting.						x	Working group including: Australia, Canada, Chile, Indonesia, Netherlands, Turkey, United Kingdom, US
Networks	Build a network supporting indigenous scientists/capability across the GRA							New Zealand, Canada, Samoa
	Launch a Network on GHG in Mediterranean Climate Agriculture						x	CIHEAM, Spain
Foster Outreach, Knowledge Sharing and Information Exchange								
Capability building	Online webinars and training materials made available on the GRA website			x	x	x		
	Build capability among early career scientists by: supporting existing GRA scholarships and awards, e.g. CLIFF-GRADS, and identifying other existing relevant awards and scholarships offered by members and partners; organization of workshops to enable early career scientists and PhD students to present their work and get feedback from senior scientists; Identify universities that have strong focus on agricultural research (with focus on climate mitigation) in GRA member countries and advertise participation in GRA research networks to PhD students, including CLIFF-GRADS, RUFORUM, and IPCC Scholarship programme alumni.					x		
General communication	Undertake a research and capability stocktake to track the progress (including case studies) and impact of GRA action after 10 years and develop how best to communicate this to a range of end users referring to current policy questions (e.g. before / during COP)		x	x	x	x	x	Working group, including: Australia, Bangladesh, Canada, Germany, New Zealand
	Provide coordination support through the GRA Secretariat for GRA webinars to present research results; develop GRA webinar "corporate desgin" and webinar calendar			x	x	x		
Science-policy communication	Encourage Council Members to identify policy questions for Research Groups and Partners to respond to at 2022 Council meeting (internal communication)	x	x	x	x	x		
	Develop and present Research Group activity summaries (e.g. on co-benefits of climate change mitigation) for presenting at international events, e.g. COP side-events, KJWA and GFFA, with further distribution as appropriate (external communication). Each Research Group to contribute at least one summary in a standardised format.			x		x	x	
Build Effective Partnerships								
Provide Partners pages on GRA website for relevant information to be included						x		
Establish a GRA Partners forum to discuss opportunities for collaboration and coordination between GRA Partners					x	x	x	
Leverage Financial and Other Resources								
Systematically identify research funding schemes that allow participation of international partners and communicate it back to GRA Council / Secretariat			x		x	x		