

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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Project Code	23-RC-25-GE-COE-C-JP03
Title	International Conference on Climate-smart Agriculture
Timing	8 November 2023–10 November 2023
Hosting Country(ies)	APO Secretariat
Venue City(ies)	Tsukuba
Modality	Hybrid In-country
Implementing Organization(s)	National Agriculture and Food Research Organization and APO Secretariat
Participating Country(ies)	All Member Countries
Overseas Participants	100
Local Participants	Not Applicable
Closing Date	20 October 2023
Remarks	The above closing date is only for the nomination of online participants. Face-to-face participants will only be the national resource persons contributing to the Need and Readiness Assessment Survey for Implementing Climate-change Mitigation and Adaptation Technologies in Agriculture (23-RC-25-GE-COE-C-JP01).

Objectives	Exchange knowledge and experience on climate-smart technologies among researchers, scientists, policymakers, and other stakeholders; showcase the latest scientific research and technological advances in climate-smart agriculture (CSA); encourage collective action to accelerate the adoption of CSA practices; and raise awareness of the importance of sustainable agricultural practices.
Rationale	Agriculture, a significant contributor to greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, must play a crucial role in climate change mitigation and adaptation. Sharing the results of a survey conducted by the Center of Excellence (COE) on CSA on the need for and readiness of selected member countries to apply CSA technologies and other recent developments in the field will contribute to that endeavor.
Background	The CSA concept represents an integrated approach to sustainably increase food security, improve agricultural productivity, enhance resilience to climate change impacts, and reduce GHG emissions. Recognizing the urgency of addressing climate change and its impact on agriculture, the COE on CSA will organize an international conference for developing and strengthening technical knowledge and skills related to CSA and creating awareness of innovative solutions. The conference is also intended to disseminate the results of a survey and the knowledge gained from an international workshop held in the ROC.
Topics	Introduction of CSA technologies and know-how; Sharing information from the survey; Identification of CSA stakeholders' needs and efforts for GHG reduction and absorption; Overall status of policy development and implementation; and National efforts to adopt CSA technologies.
Outcome	Current technological advances in CSA practices are introduced; innovations and knowledge are exchanged; and awareness of methods to transform agriculture into a resilient, low-carbon, sustainable sector is raised.
Qualifications	Policymakers, managers of agribusinesses, and researchers working on CSA; and national resource persons involved in the survey project for face-to-face participation.

Please refer to the implementation procedures circulated with this document for further details.

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