



**CGIAR**  
CONSORTIUM FOR SPATIAL  
INFORMATION  
**CSI ANNUAL MEETING**  
**2009**

Mapping Our Future  
2009-2014:

*Collective Action and Advocacy  
to Improve Spatial Solutions for  
Sustainable Development*

March 31 – April 4, 2009  
John Vercoe Hall, ILRI Campus,  
Nairobi, Kenya

## BACKGROUND

A large and successful CSI meeting was held in Nairobi on April 22-24, 2008, attended by representatives from all CGIAR centers as well as key technology and development partners. The meeting reviewed results of a CSI baseline survey, held a day of scientific exchange on GIS-related research in each center, reviewed opportunities for collective action, and strategized on how the CSI could better serve both the CGIAR and the broader agricultural development community. Much has happened in the past twelve months including growing recognition of the strategic potential of geo-referenced information and location-explicit analysis in intervention targeting. Two examples are the 2009 World Bank Development Report focused on spatial aspects of development, and the new AGCommons geospatial technology program for Africa launched by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

In recognition of the potential contribution of CGIAR and its partners, AGCommons is being hosted in the CGIAR/CIO office. At the same time the CGIAR (and FAO) are well advanced with a major institutional reinvention. It is in the context of growing recognition of the importance of location as well as potentially major institutional change that the CSI holds its annual meeting. The CSI needs to respond coherently and responsibly but also with boldness and imagination to this unique time and opportunity.

*Website from last meeting:* <http://sites.google.com/a/cgiar-csi.org/nairobi-meeting-2008/Home>

### **Objectives and Outputs:**

- Formulate a CSI vision of the enhanced role of spatially-referenced and location-aware data, analysis, and knowledge products for sustainable agricultural development, improved livelihoods, and food security.
  - Achieve consensus on a strategy (or as a minimum, agreeing a rapid, cost-effective process for developing such a strategy) for CSI's engagement with the donor, development and science communities in making progress toward achieving that vision.
  - Scientific exchange on CSI member research and implementation activities
  - Develop specific recommendations on strategic AGCommons Phase II investment opportunities for the AGCommons management and implementation teams.
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## PROGRAM

**Tuesday, March 31**

**CSI BUSINESS DAY**

<b>Session 1.</b>	<b>Welcome, Goals and Expectations</b>	
0900-0910	<b>Welcome to CGIAR-CSI</b>	<i>John McDermott</i>
0910-0930	Opening Address	<i>Bashir Jama</i>
0930-0950	Introduction of participants	
0950-1000	<b>Objectives of the meeting and agenda review</b>	<i>Stanley Wood</i>
<b>Session 2.</b>	<b>CSI Business Meeting</b>	
1000-1030	<b>2a. CGIAR-CSI Status, Issues, Opportunities</b>	<i>Stanley Wood</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update since last meeting</li> <li>• CSI &amp; AGCommons</li> <li>• CGIAR Infrastructure/capacity development needs (review supplemental CSI survey results)</li> <li>• CGIAR (and FAO) change processes; threats and opportunities?</li> <li>• Revisit priorities identified in CSI 2008 meeting</li> </ul>	
1030-1050	COFFEE BREAK	
1050-1115	<b>Plenary discussion (issues, expectations, action groups)</b>	<i>Nadia Manning-Thomas</i>
1115-1215	<b>2b. Working Group sessions</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CSI Web Site &amp; Outreach Action Plan</b></li> <li>• <b>CSI Priority</b> refresh; Emerging spatial data and analytical challenges &amp; opportunities?</li> <li>• <b>Core Data Needs</b> CSI advocacy &amp; development needs/agenda</li> <li>• <b>Priority value-added tools and knowledge products</b> (implementation projects that “operationalize” our work)</li> <li>• <b>Data Sharing/Delivery</b> platforms (e.g. hosting, open source GIS tools)</li> <li>• <b>Funding</b> strategies and models (including beyond SSA?)</li> <li>• <b>Partner Engagement</b> (strategic ARI linkages and in-region, in-country capacity building role)</li> </ul>	
1215-1315	LUNCH	
1315-1415	<b>2b. Working Group sessions (contd).</b>	
1415-1600	<b>Vendor agreements; Status and Opportunities</b>	<i>CJ Terborgh</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ESRI Enterprise licensing and products. Existing and upcoming CSI- ESRI technology and capacity agreements</li> <li>• Google Earth Pro Licenses</li> <li>• Other Opportunities</li> </ul>	<i>Google/Glenn Hyman?</i>
1600	<b>2c. Report out, Synthesis, and next steps</b>	<i>Nadia Manning-Thomas</i>
1730-2000	DINNER RECEPTION	

**Session 3.****Spatial Solutions Day**

Each center presenting their work – 15 minutes presentation &amp; 5 minutes Q&amp;A

0900-0920	Bioversity	<i>Andrew Jarvis</i>
0920-0940	CIAT	<i>Glenn Hyman</i>
0940-1000	CIFOR	<i>Mohammad Agus Salim</i>
1000-1020	CIMMYT	<i>Juan Arista</i>
1020-1050	<i>Coffee break</i>	
1050-1110	CIP	<i>Lieven Claessens</i>
1110-1130	ICARDA	<i>Wolfgang Goebel</i>
1130-1150	ICIMOD	<i>Salman Siddiqui</i>
1150-1210	ICRAF	<i>Meshak Nyabenge</i>
1210-1230	ICRISAT	<i>Pierre (Sibiry) Traore</i>
1230-1330	<i>Lunch</i>	
1330-1350	IFPRI	<i>Jawoo Koo</i>
1350-1410	IITA	<i>Kai Sonder</i>
1410-1430	ILRI	<i>An Notenbaert</i>
1430-1450	IRRI	<i>Robert Hijmans</i>
1450-1510	IWMI	<i>Mir Matin</i>
1510-1530	<i>Coffee break</i>	
1530-1550	WARDA	<i>Paul Kiepe</i>
1550-1610	WorldFish	<i>Silvia Renn</i>
1610-1730	Other non-CSI presentations	<i>TBD</i>

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**Thursday, April 2**

**AGCommons DAY**

**Session 4.**

0900-0905

**AGCommons – Phase 1**

CSI Welcomes AGCommons

*Stanley Wood*

0905 - 0935

Program Goals, Objectives, Governance  
Phase I Activities and Deliverables

*Srikant Vasani/  
Enrica Porcari*

0935-1015

Phase I: Learning/consultation process  
Result of Scan, Report on West Africa Consultation

*Jennifer Barnes/  
Rolf De By/ Kai Sonder*

1030-1050

COFFEE BREAK

1050-1230

AGCommons QuickWin Process and Outcomes  
Overview – Todd Slind  
QuickWin presentations (20 min each QW presentation)

1230-1330

LUNCH – Participant dialogue with QW Teams

1330-1430

Panel & discussion  
- What they heard from West Africa Consultations  
- Thoughts for Phase 2  
- Questions that need to be answered

*(Chair: Rolf de By)  
Peter Ndunda / Kate  
Lance/ Carrie Stokes/ CJ  
Terborgh/ RCMRD/*

**Session 5.**

1430-1450

**AGCommons – Phase 2**

Phase II Planning Process

*Srikant Vasani/  
Enrica Porcari*

1450-1510

AGCommons Partner Model and Resource Mobilization Efforts

*Srikant Vasani/Todd Slind*

1510-1530

COFFEE BREAK

1530-1600

Building AGCommons as a sustainable community

*Jubal Harpster*

1600-1700

Key Opportunities for AGCommons  
- Breakout sessions to identify key “last 10km” questions and challenges for which more, better, and more-timely location-intelligent information, and spatial data would make a significant contribution (development focus)

*Nadia Manning-Thomas/  
Jennifer Barnes*

1700-1730

Report out and group prioritization of opportunities

*Enrica Porcari*

1730-1830

Poster session

Friday, April 3

“MAPPING OUR FUTURE” DAY

Session 6. 0900-09:30	Opening session: Goals and Objectives of the day	CSI/AGCommons Team
Session 6a. 0930-1115	<p>Describing the Ideal 3-5 year Geospatial Data Platform to Support Agricultural Development (National planning to plot –specific, two-way knowledge flow)</p> <p><b>Core Data:</b> Themes, Features, Resolution, Refresh</p> <p><b>Tools:</b> Plug in tools, widgets. Models.</p> <p><b>Applications:</b> Crop, input choices, yield, pest monitoring, market information, intervention targeting, emergency, insurance.</p> <p><b>Physical Platforms/devices;</b> sensors, transmission, processing</p> <p><b>Institutions and governance</b></p>	
1115-1200	East Africa Regional Developments: Capacity Building and Service Delivery	RCMRD (Kate Lance to facilitate)
1200-1310	LUNCH	
Session 7. 1310-1530	<p><b>Elicitation of Potentially Strategic Actions, Products, and Services</b></p> <p>Open session for participant presentations (individually or jointly) on proposals for strategic investments to enhance the contribution of spatial analysis and location-intelligent information to accelerate agricultural development and poverty and hunger reduction.</p> <p>Topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• GRIDAssessment 21<sup>st</sup> Century Sustainable RS Product Delivery for last 10km.</li><li>• Other topics to be determined</li></ul>	Chris Nicholas
1530-1630	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Group prioritization of themes/initiatives</li><li>• Reaching consensus and clarity on core themes, stewardship, and action plans</li></ul>	Enrica Porcari
1630-1700	Synthesis, next steps and closure	Stanley Wood

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Saturday, April 4

WHERCAMP DAY

0830 - 0930

[WhereCamp Nairobi \(CH2MHill , AGCommons, African Technology Community\)](#)

Registration and Breakfast

0930 - 1100

Opening Panel Discussion – discussion to introduce the open space process and frame the day

Morning Circle - where people can stand up and say what sessions they would like to host and then post them on the board.

1100-1245

Sessions

1300-1400

LUNCH

1400-1530

Sessions - including 'speed geeking' where we'll get people into one room and have lots of small 20 slide style presentations.

1530-1700

Sessions

1700-1800

Wrap up and commitments

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Venue

John Vercoe Conference Room, ILRI Headquarters, Nairobi, Kenya

### Accommodation

Participants will be accommodated in the Jacaranda hotel, complete address of which follows:

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Website: [www.jacarandahotels.com](http://www.jacarandahotels.com)

### Meals

Breakfast is included in the hotel package. Lunch will be provided at ILRI from Tuesday, March 31 to April 4. Dinner Reception is hosted by the CSI on March 31. Meals other than that specified by the Organizer are at participant's personal account.

### Local Transportation

The Secretariat will be in charge of transporting participants between the hotel and the meeting venue. Participants will make their own arrangement for airport travel.

### Travel arrangements and ticket confirmation

It is strongly advised that participants be holding confirmed reservations, as confirmation and/or ticket rebooking may be a problem. Please contact the Secretariat for this and other travel-related assistance.

### Internet Access

Internet services are available at the meeting site (free of charge). Internet access services are also available at the hotel, but will be charged to the participant's personal account and will not be reimbursable.

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## NOTES

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