

**The Forum for everyone who cares about the future of agriculture in Central Asia and the Caucasus**



**Mission:**

The overall objective of the Central Asia and the Caucasus Association of Agricultural Research Institutions (CACAAARI) is to foster Agricultural Research for Development (ARD) in Central Asia and the Caucasus Region.

The specific objectives CACAARI are:

- to provide a platform for dialogue on critical issues related to agricultural research and innovation and collaborative action through national, regional and international partnerships;
- to advocate and foster actions for increased and improved information and knowledge sharing for agricultural research and innovation for development;
- to assist in strengthening of capacity, organizational and management capability of institutions and organizations for agricultural research and development;

- to strengthen cross-linkages between national, regional and international research and development centers and ARD stakeholders through involvement in jointly-planned research, training, education and extension programmes.

CACAARI is representing the Global Forum for Agricultural Research (GFAR) in the regions, and including civil society organizations, universities, farmers', women's, and non-governmental organizations, professional societies, private sector organizations in agriculture, etc.



**Governance:**

The Association is governed by the Steering Committee of 14 members, representing all stakeholder groups. The Chairperson heads the Steering Committee. Three Consortia have been formed under CACAARI – Farmers Organizations, NGOs and Agrarian Universities Consortia, each with own steering committee. Three consortia: Young Professionals in Agricultural Research, Women in Agriculture and Private Sector to be formed in near future.

**Activities:**

- Development and implementation of the Strategic Framework through the dialogue with all stakeholder groups in the CAC Region for Transforming Agricultural Research and Innovation systems in the CAC Region, which implies:
  - setting up main priorities and measures of ARD at national, regional and global levels;
  - fostering equal opportunities for participation and transparency among all stakeholders in the planning and implementation of agricultural research and innovation for development;
  - advocating increased investments in agricultural research and innovation;
  - strengthening human and institutional capacity required for the generation of relevant agricultural knowledge, and linkage with its users;
  - encouraging integration of innovation into national and regional development programs and policies;
- Enhancing regional collaboration and partnerships on transforming the Agricultural Research and Innovation Systems between regional fora;
- Strengthening CACAARI Regional Agricultural Information System through the development of communication strategies to conduct and support discussions on critical issues related to ARD.

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### CACAARI Partners:



and many other national and international organizations

### Membership:

Membership of the Association is open to national and international agricultural research institutions and organizations, universities, farmers', women's, and non-governmental organizations, private sector in agriculture of Central Asia and the Caucasus Region (Azerbaijan, Armenia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan).



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