



2000 - 2008

**Prof. Abdushukur Khanazarov,
Executive Secretary
CACAAARI**

Goal

**Foster required regional cooperation
for strengthening agricultural research
for sustainable development
in Central Asia and the Caucasus.**

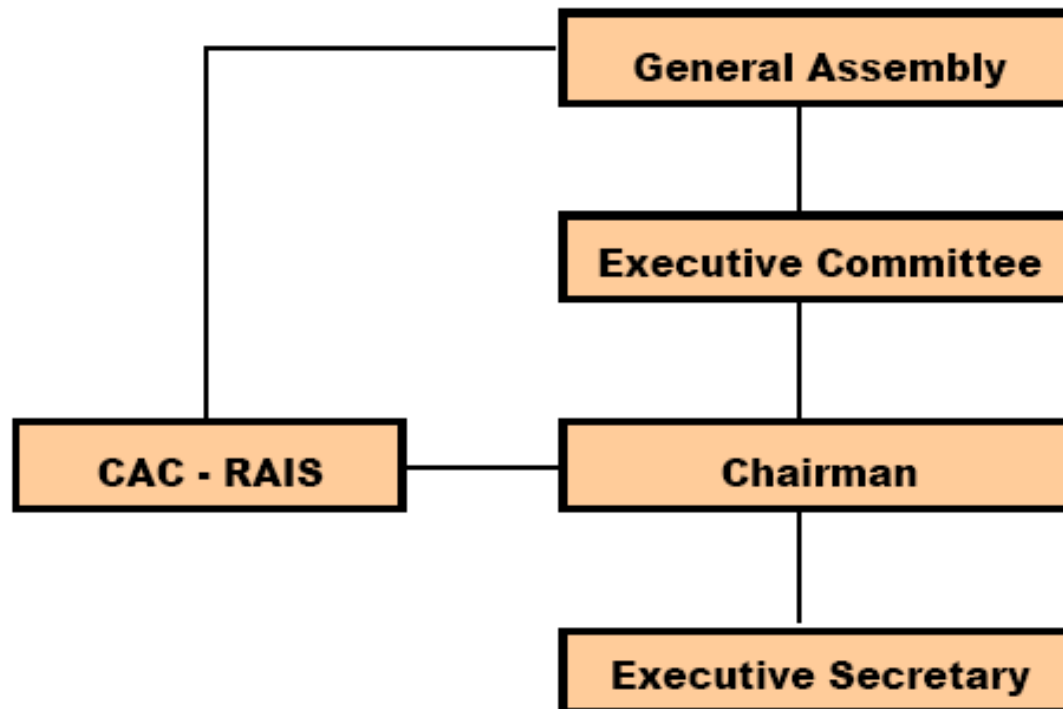
Objectives

- **Promote the exchange of scientific and technical know-how and information;**
- **Encourage the establishment of appropriate research and training programs in accordance with identified regional, bilateral or national priorities;**
- **Strengthen research organizational and management capability of member institutions; and**
- **Build cross-linkages with regional and international research centers and organizations through involvement in jointly-planned research and training programs.**

Activities

1. Identification and Prioritization of Regional Research Needs
2. Establishment of Regional Agricultural Information System (RAIS)
3. Establishment of Inter-Regional Network on Cotton (INCANA)

Structure



Members

Armenia:	Ministry of Agriculture
Azerbaijan:	National Agrarian Science Center
Georgia:	Academy of Agricultural Sciences
Kazakhstan:	Ministry of Agriculture
Kyrgyzstan:	Ministry of Agriculture
Tajikistan:	Tajik Academy of Agricultural Services
Turkmenistan:	Ministry of Agriculture
Uzbekistan:	Uzbek Scientific Production Center for Agriculture

Chairmen and Executive Secretaries of CACAARI: 2000-2008

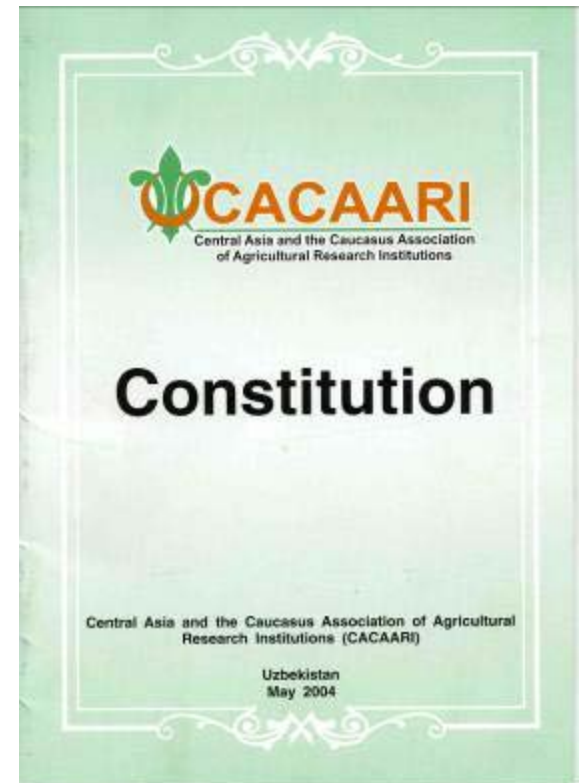
Chairman	Country	Executive Secretary	Country	Years
Samvel Avetisyan	Armenia	Abdushukur Khanazarov	Uzbekistan	2006-2008
Abdushukur Khanazarov	Uzbekistan	Asanbek Ajibekov	Kyrgyzstan	2004-2006
Sherali Nurmatov	Uzbekistan	Asanbek Ajibekov	Kyrgyzstan	2003-2004
		Samvel Avetisyan	Armenia	
Azymkhan Satybaldin	Kazakhstan	Guram Alexidze	Georgia	2000-2003

Supporting Organizations

- GFAR & FAO
- PFU of the CGIAR Program for CAC
- ICARDA

CACAARI Constitution

- **CACAARI was established in 2000**
- **Only in 2003 it adopted its Constitution**
 - published in both English and Russian
- → **CACAARI is the youngest of all the regional fora**
- **The Constitution was amended on 5 April, 2006, by unanimous decision of the CACAARI General Assembly, to have only one Chairman and one Executive Secretary, instead of two Executive Secretaries (one for Central Asia, one for the Caucasus). The Position of Director of CACAARI was cancelled.**



CACAARI Meetings

- 2003 , June 07 – Tashkent, Uzbekistan**
- 2003, September 29 - Yerevan, Armenia**
- 2004, June 08 - Baku, Azerbaijan**
- 2005, May 03 - Aleppo, Syria (ICARDA HQs)**
- 2006, April 05 - Tashkent, Uzbekistan**
- 2007, March 09 – Tashkent, Uzbekistan**



Important events organized by CACAARI



**2nd INCANA Meeting,
6-8 September, 2004, Tashkent,
Uzbekistan**



**IFPRI – CACAARI workshop on “Reorienting Research
Management and Agricultural Innovation System in
Central Asia and the Caucasus” in Tashkent, Uzbekistan,
on 10-11 February, 2006**

Important events organized by CACAARI



Expert Consultation on Regional Research Needs Assessment, 07-09 March, 2007, Tashkent, Uzbekistan



International Ecoforum on "Reorienting Agricultural Research to Achieve the MDGs" 17 January, 2007, Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Participation in Global Fora

An Inter-regional Research Network on cotton for Central Asia and North Africa (INCANA) was jointly established by three Regional Fora, AARINENA, APAARI and CACAARI, with support of ICARDA and GFAR during October, 2002.

Participation in Global Fora



**GFAR Retreat,
1-3 February, 2004, Italy, Florence**



**Meeting of with GFAR Executive
Secretary, 17-18 of May, 2004,
Rome, Italy**



**14th Steering Committee Meeting of GFAR,
22-25 October, 2004, Mexico**



**Inter-regional ICT workshop,
03-04 July, 2006 Bangkok, Thailand**

Participation in Global Fora



**INCANA workshop on BT cotton, 21-26
November, 2005, India**



**ICARDA-CACAARI Round Table Discussions on
Strategic Plan for Dry Areas in CWANA region
held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, on 12 February,
2006.**

2003, May 22-24, Second Triennial GFAR Conference, Dakar, Senegal

2003, October 25-27, 13th GFAR Steering Committee Nairobi, Kenya

2005, December 05-08, CGIAR Annual General Meeting in Morocco

2006, August 16-21, IPM workshop on Cotton in Aleppo, Syria

CAC-RAIS Meetings



**1-st Meeting of CAC-RAIS
27-28 January, 2004
Tashkent, Uzbekistan from**



**2-nd Meeting of CAC-RAIS
15-16 January, 2007
Tashkent, Uzbekistan**

Participation Inter-regional RAIS meeting in Cairo, Egypt, in May, 2005

CAC-RAIS results so far

- Regional Agricultural Information System established
- CAC RAIS Steering Committee established
- National focal points appointed
- Some efforts done on strengthening Agroweb by each NARS
- Need for a multi stakeholder involvement
- Some linkages on Global-RAIS through a project proposal
- A complete directory of the research institutions of all eight CAC countries has been posted on CACAARI Website

What's the way forward?

CAC-RAIS:

- Strengthening CAC-RAIS: the suggested time and venue for the next meeting is in April, 2009, in Kyrgyzstan (with the support from GFAR)
- Project proposal for strengthening NARS ICT capacities
- Participation in CIARD initiative
- Establishment of ARD Web Ring
- Establishment of Knowledge-for-All initiative in CAC Region

What's the way forward?

CACAARI:

- **Extending membership** from only NARS lead organizations to all CAC research institutions, universities, farmer organizations, extension services, civil society and other relevant organizations in agriculture of the CAC region
- **Strengthening capacity of CACAARI:**
 - Full time Executive Secretary of CACAARI
 - Part time Web Master for CACAARI-RAIS and AgroWeb
 - Office to be located in PFU, ICARDA (ICARDA contribution to be recognized as in-kind contribution to CACAARI as is being done for AARINENA)
 - GFAR to be requested for initial support for full time Executive Secretary and Part-time Web Master

What's the way forward?

CACAARI:

- CACAARI to initiate **formation of:**
 - CAC NGO Consortium
 - CAC Farmer Organizations Consortium
 - CAC Private Sector Forum
 - CACAARI should request support from GFAR to initiate these forums as it has supported FARA and APAARI
- CACAARI should initiate development and implementation of its **Communication Strategy** and ask for GFAR support

Webpage



<http://www.cacaari.org>