

MEDIA ADVISORY



Restoring Landscapes Through Climate Smart Agriculture

A discussion forum with six renowned scientists from AIRCA at the Global Landscapes Forum

Date : Saturday, 5 th of Dec. 2015	Time : 12.15 – 13.45
Venue: GLF Paris, Palais de Congrès	Room : 252A

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Although agriculture is a major cause of climate change, it is also central to adaptation and mitigation strategies. Six renowned scientists in their respective fields will be sharing challenges and key learning from various climatesmart agriculture initiatives implemented around the world.

Climate-smart agriculture and the landscape approach to agricultural development need to be more firmly included in national adaptation strategies. Both offer practical and complimentary solutions that will help reduce degradation, alleviate poverty, and strengthen food and nutritional security. In this forum we want to reach out to policy makers, stakeholders and partner to discuss how our experiences can be up scaled further for the benefit of healthy people in healthy landscapes.

The participating scientists are as follows:

1. Dr Dyno Keating	Chair, AIRCA Director General, AVRDC – The World Vegetable Centre
2. Dr Ismahane Elouafi	Deputy Chair, AIRCA Director General, International Centre for Biosaline Agriculture (ICBA)
3. Dr Trevor Nicholls	Chief Executive Officer, CAB International (CABI)
4. Dr José Joaquín Campos	Director General Centro Agronómico Tropical de Investigación y Enseñanza (<u>CATIE</u>)
5. Dr Hans Friederich	Director General International Network for Bamboo and Rattan (INBAR)
6. Dr Eklabya Sharma	Director of Programme Operations International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (<u>ICIMOD</u>)

About AIRCA

The Association of International Research and Development Centers for Agriculture (AIRCA) was established in 2012 by the need for integrated action to deliver sustainable agricultural intensification at the landscape scale. The nine-member alliance is focused on increasing food security by supporting smallholder agriculture and rural enterprise within healthy, sustainable and climate-smart landscapes.

