



Kick-off meeting, 24-25 March 2011, VITO (Mol, Belgium)

Partners and their representatives:

European Commission (DG-INFSO): Thierry Devars

SDLO (Alterra): Allard de Wit and Raymond van der Wijngaart

University of Milan (UMI): Roberto Confalonieri

European Commission (JRC): Mohamed El Aydam

INRA (Morocco): Riad Balaghi

Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAAS): Zhongxin Chen

Anhui Institute for Economical Research (AIFER): Zhongmo MA and Yang Qing

Jiangsu Academy of Agricultural Sciences (JAAS): Qiu Lin

Ministry of Environment and Mineral resources (DRSRS): Charles Situma

VITO: Qinghan Dong, Lieven Bydekerke, Herman Eerens and Ria De Breucker

AGENDA

Day 1: Formal meeting (24 March 2011)

09:30-09:45: Welcome and introduction of the partners

09:45-10:15: Presentation by DG INFSO Project Officer, Thierry Devars, on:

- DG INFSO and its programme and principal tasks within European Commission

10:15-10:45: E-AGRI project overview (VITO, Qinghan Dong)

- Introduction
- General and Specific Objectives
- WP structure: the way leading to these objectives
- Planning

10:45 -11:00 Coffee break

11:00- 13:00 Presentation by each partner organization on their major interests and expertise (core business) (10 min each)

13:00-14:00: Lunch

14:00-14:15: E-AGRI management structure and procedures (VITO, Lieven Bydekerke, WP1)

- Project management
- Decision making mechanisms
- Reporting

14:15-14:30: FP7 rules and duties (Ria De Breucker)

14:30-15:00 Coffee break

Workgroup discussion

15:00-16:00

- CGMS workgroup led by Alterra
- RS-Yield led by INRA & VITO

16:00 – 17:00

- BioMA workgroup led by UMI&JRC
- RS-Area led by CAAS

17:00-18:00: Activities in Kenya (requirement, interest, contribution)

Meeting Dinner 19:00

Day 2: Workgroup meetings (25 March 2011)

Discussions: around three issues: data, field surveys and workshops.

Morning (9:30-13:00):

- Presentation of the tasks and activity planning for the workgroup CGMS
- Presentation of the tasks and activity planning for the workgroup BioMA
- Presentation of the tasks and activity planning for the workgroup RS-Yield
- Presentation of the tasks and activity planning for the workgroup RS-Area
- Presentation of the activities on WP 6 statistic integration (Alterra)
- Discussion on the networking, dissemination and capacity building activities (in Kenya)

Lunch (13:00-14:00)

Departure: 14:00