

**Preliminary Programme (as of September 2005)**  
**CGIAR Consortium for Spatial Information CGIAR-CSI**  
**GeoSpatial Science Meeting and Planning Workshop**

**(Nairobi, Kenya, 17th – 21st of October 2005)**

It is our intention that the Geospatial Science Meeting highlights the important role of geospatial applications to further the CGIAR mission, to consolidate and promote the geospatial Community of Practice, to develop strong networks and opportunities for collaboration, and to bring together scientists to share their ideas and work. In addition, we will have a two-day workshop to identify future directions, and specifically elaborate opportunities to further the work and mission of the CGIAR-CSI.

**Objectives of the Workshop**

- Coordination of CSI - ICT-KM activities.
- Discuss recent advances within CGIAR's GeoSpatial community
- Enhance knowledge transfer and provide an opportunity to share ideas among the CGIAR, UN agencies and NGOs
- Planning and strategy development for medium and long term strategy of CSI – ICT-KM activities
- Develop mechanisms that will elevate and sustain the CGIAR-CSI

**Venue**

The meeting will be held at the World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF) in Nairobi, Kenya from the 17<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>nd</sup> of October 2005

**Participants**

Representatives from the CGIAR CSI and other CGIAR scientists and researchers

Representatives from FAO, UNEP, WFP, USGS and NGOs

We hope to get wide participation, so please let others involved in these issues know about this meeting, and encourage them to attend.

## **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> of October - CSI ICT-KM Project Coordination**

**1000 – 1030 Welcoming note and Introduction to the conference**

*Robert Zomer*

**1030 – 1100 Introduction to CSI-CGIAR GeoSpatial Initiatives and GeoNetwork**

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**1110 – 1130 Introduction of GeoNetwork and overview of Pilot Project**

*Frederik Pischke*

**1130 – 1150 Introduction of alternative options**

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**1150 – 1215 Discussion on Spatial Data Sharing Opportunities**

1215 – 1345 Lunch Break

**Afternoon Presentation of progress, current state and outlook on GeoSpatial tools and metadata inventory at each participating center**

*10-15 Minute Presentation by CSI Representative from each center*

1500 – 1530 Coffee break

**Discussion Spatial Tools Project:** Identify synergies, harmonize activities, and adopt standards to build a coherent "toolkit" approach

**Phase two of CGIAR-CSI Planning and funding options** development of ideas for work plan

**Evening: Cocktail Party at ICRAF**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> of October - Sharing of science and recent advances/ results by the centers**

### **Activities**

- Poster and PowerPoint Presentations on projects of the CGIAR community
- Panel discussions on recent developments and directions in the future

### **Preliminary list of topics**

- Guest speakers from FAO; UNEP; USGS and WFP
- GeoSpatial Tools/ Applications
- Map products
- GeoSpatial Models and Methods
- Storage Solutions

**Abstracts on Posters and Talks to be submitted by 7<sup>th</sup> of September**

**19<sup>th</sup> of October Afternoon: Safari to Nairobi National Park (including lunch and dinner)**

## **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> of October - GASSIA 2: Supporting GeoSpatial Infrastructure for Sustainable Agricultural Development in Africa**

Identifying strategies and common approaches to bring to bear the full strength of CGIAR geospatial capacity to focus and support the building of geospatial infrastructure, and the application of geospatial science to the issues and constraints to sustainable development in Africa. This could be combined with above presentations.

### **Activities:**

- **Presentation of Strategies to build geospatial Infrastructure**
- **CGIAR GeoPortal**
- **Guest speakers**

Evening: Dinner

## **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of October – CGIAR CSI Planning and strategy development**

- 1.) Development of medium and long term goals.
- 2.) Set priorities, and tasks.
- 3.) Identify collaborative science project(s).
- 4.) Identification of sustainability options for CSI activities, e.g. increased tie-in and collaboration with CP's

### **Activities:**

- **Workshops**
- **Panel discussion**