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**agrinatura**  
The European Alliance  
on Agricultural Knowledge for Development



The entrygate



to European cooperation  
in  
Agricultural Research for Development



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in Europe with a strong concern for  
tropical & subtropical agriculture*



## Objectives 1

- Develop an integrated training in agriculture for development by consortia of members
  - Agris mundus sustainable devt
  - Sutrofor tropical forestry
  - AFEPA Food and environmental policies
  - ...
- Entry gate into Europe for Third countries students and researchers in agriculture and natural resources
  - programmes of scholarships
  - Paepard : brokerage for N/S and R/D research
- Improved linkages within the global research system (CGIAR)



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## Objectives 2

- Increased advocacy (EU)
  - Conferences
  - Advise on preparation of EU programmes (FP8, FSTP...)
- Support for Higher Education in developing countries
  - innovative trainings at partner universities
  - quality assurance systems
- Increased availability of the European expertise to IOs and the EC.
  - Evaluation of programmes
  - Expertise to support policies



# GCHERA, what for?

❑ organise lobbying, conferences, etc...

❑ platform for brokering partnerships



## GCHERA, what for?

Questions raised :

Do we need a formal association for that ?

With its institutional arrangements : Constitution, Board, Meetings and related costs...

or a « organised network » structure?

With a common chart, plus cross participation in partnership committees

