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Outline proposal for:

Science for Agricultural Development 2007

Section 1 Introduction to describe aim and content : *aim is to share knowledge and analysis of changes in the global 'environment' for agricultural research which could provide new opportunities or constraints (the specific focus should therefore pick up on ongoing studies by CH Panels)*

Section 2 Description of changing roles within the circle from research to delivery and lessons from delivery influencing research objectives. For example, update on progress with CG System moving back upstream, better understanding of role of CSOs, update on evolution of bodies such as NePAD.

Section 3 Mixture of Case Studies and science review as in the 2005 version. I would advocate using a journalist again. We have some case studies held over from last time. We could also do a better job of explaining the potential of new areas of science e.g. a think piece on proteomics, agent-based modelling, socio-ecological theory etc

Section 4 Latest ASTI analysis of data on the enabling environment which should be able to go into more detail on spending per scientist and who are the scientists – numbers of disciplines involved etc would be useful

Section 5 We should try to get some feedback of views of the different stakeholders on this section of key messages last time round and adapt it to better meet their needs.

Next steps:

There were a few key players last time round from the Task Force. It would be good to involve them again and to develop a draft outline through an email consultation process. This could be worked up over the summer and a draft discussed again at SC6.