



*INTER-AMERICAN BOARD OF AGRICULTURE - IABA*

Twelfth Regular Meeting  
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**DATE AND SITE OF THE  
THIRTEENTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
INTER-AMERICAN BOARD OF AGRICULTURE (IABA)**

**Panama City, Panama**

Pursuant to Articles 16 and 17 (Chapter III) of the Rules of Procedure of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA), regular meetings of the IABA are to be held every two years, preferably in the second half of the second year of the Institute's biennium. It is also stated that, in its regular meetings, the Board shall decide on the date and site of its subsequent regular meeting, in accordance with written offers submitted by the countries, taking into account the principle of rotation and geographic distribution.

Article 18 of those Rules states that if no site is offered the Board shall hold its meeting at the headquarters of the Institute. However, if at any time before the call to the meeting the Director General receives an offer from a Member State to host the meeting, the Executive Committee may decide by a majority vote of its members, either in session or by correspondence, that the regular meeting of the Board shall be held at the site offered.