

RESOLUTION No. 629

**2018-2022 MEDIUM-TERM PLAN (MTP) OF THE INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE
FOR COOPERATION ON AGRICULTURE (IICA)**

The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, at its Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting,

HAVING SEEN:

Document IICA/CE/Doc. 678 (18), “2018-2022 Medium-term Plan Proposal,”

CONSIDERING:

That, at its Second Special Meeting held in 1982, the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA) adopted resolution IICA/JIA/Res. 14 (II-E/82), in which it established the Medium-term Plan (MTP) as a means to comply with the provisions of Article 8, subparagraph a. of the Convention on IICA: “to adopt measures related to the policy and action of the Institute”;

That, since then, the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) has had an MTP for each four-year period, prepared by the Director General upon taking office, and reviewed and approved by the governing bodies;

That, via Resolution IICA/JIA/Res. 505 (XIX-O/17), the Board instructed the Director General to prepare IICA’s MTP for the period 2018-2022 and authorized the Executive Committee to approve the plan at its Thirty-eighth Regular Meeting, along with any adjustments to the Institute’s 2018-2019 Program Budget required to implement it;

That, in preparing the 2018-2022 MTP, the Director General used as basic guidelines: a) the IABA and Executive Committee resolutions in force; b) the guidelines for the actions of the Institute contained in its 2010-2020 Strategic Plan; c) the previous medium-term plans; d) the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs); and e) a prospective analysis of trends in and challenges for global and hemispheric agriculture;

That, as recommended by the Member States, in preparing the 2018-2022 MTP, the Director General facilitated a broad process of consultation with them;

That the 2018-2022 MTP outlines a new cooperation paradigm that is geared towards increasing opportunities for rural peoples in the hemisphere, and achieving an efficient and flexible IICA that prioritizes knowledge management and collaboration;

That the 2018-2022 MTP proposes a technical cooperation model based on hemispheric programs as well as national, regional and hemispheric cooperation agendas, which will be developed through broad consultation processes with key stakeholders and strategic partners, including the public and private sectors as well as organized civil society;

That the Director General presented a draft of the 2018-2022 MTP to the 2018 Regular Meeting of the Special Advisory Committee on Management Issues (SACMI) held on 9 May 2018, which recommended certain adjustments to the MTP, which were incorporated by the General Directorate;

That the members of the Executive Committee and other Member States taking part in the meeting have expressed general satisfaction with the version of the 2018-2022 MTP presented by the Director General, and have offered constructive suggestions for incorporation into the document and for its implementation; and

That the 2018-2022 MTP provides continuity to a number of objectives, programs and actions of the 2014-2018 MTP, adapting it to the current context of agriculture in the Americas,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve IICA's 2018-2022 MTP as the frame of reference for the Institute's actions during the period in question, and to instruct the Director General to incorporate the suggestions made by the Member States.
2. To express satisfaction with the broad participation of the countries during the process of preparing the 2018-2022 MTP and to urge the Member States of the Institute to support its implementation at the national, regional and hemispheric levels.