

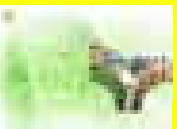


Strategic up-dates – from Entebbe to Johannesburg



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Challenges from Entebbe

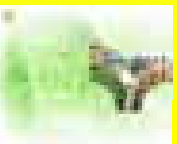
- Consolidate partnerships
- Develop CORAF/WE CARD roadmap for CAADP Implementation
- Strengthen CORAF/WE CARD organizational and institutional capacities



Consolidating Partnerships

Involvement in FARA's initiatives:

- FAAP development
- FARA-SRO retreats
- SSA CP implementation
- Project on the promotion of Science & Technology for agricultural development
- Revision of FARA's strategic plan



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Consolidating partnerships

Exchange of experience
with ASARECA:

Annual Committee of
Directors



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Strategic Partnerships with RECs

ECOWAS: signed agreement

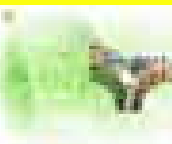
UEMOA: signed agreement

CEMAC: agreement in pipeline

CEEAC: on-going negotiations



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Progress in Scientific & Technical partnerships

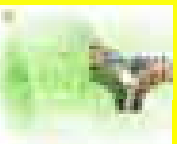
- MTP of IARCs in WCA
 - Logical framework developed after several consultations
 - Conforms with the CORAF/WE CARD Strategic Plan
 - Biotechnology & Biosafety action plan for ECOWAS zone
 - Adopted in March 2007
 - Biosafety coordination at INSAH/CILLS
 - Biotechnology coordination at the CORAF/WE CARD Secretariat
- Partnership agreements signed with:
 - AVDRC,
 - AATF,
 - Africa Harvest

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Strengthened Financial Partnerships

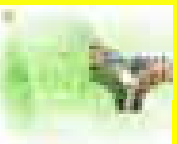
- Strategic planning process for strengthening agricultural research in WCA
- Financial engagement of financial partners:
 - DFID,
 - USAID/WARP,
 - World Bank
- Involvement of other partners in the planning process



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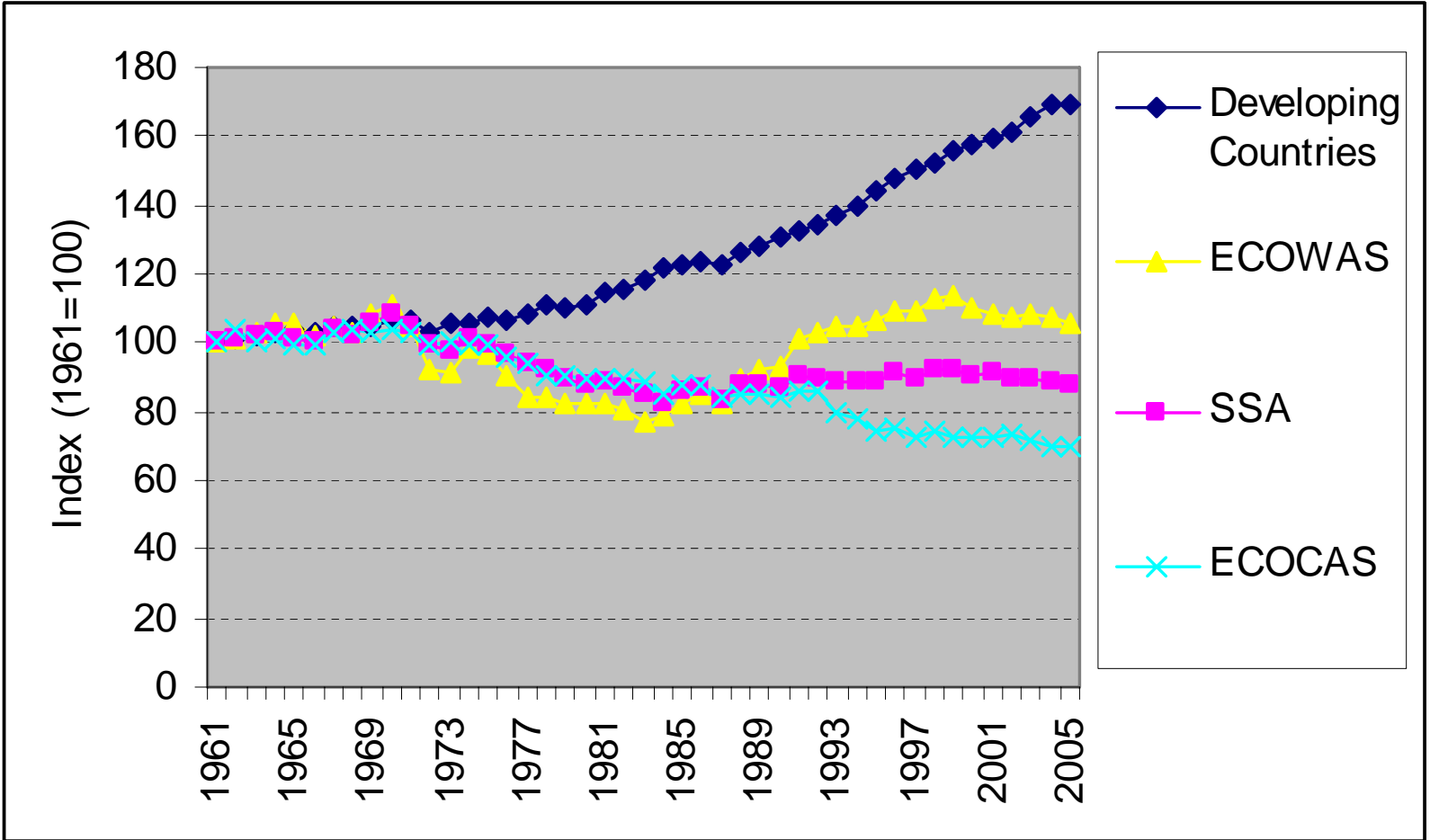
CORAF/WECARD Road-Map for CAADP implementation



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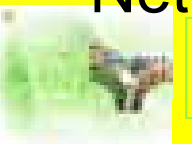


Challenges in Agricultural Productivity



Net per capita agricultural production (1961-2005); IFPRI, 2006

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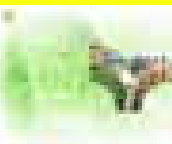


Need for Revising the Strategic Plan

February 2006: discussions on modalities for strategic plan implementation

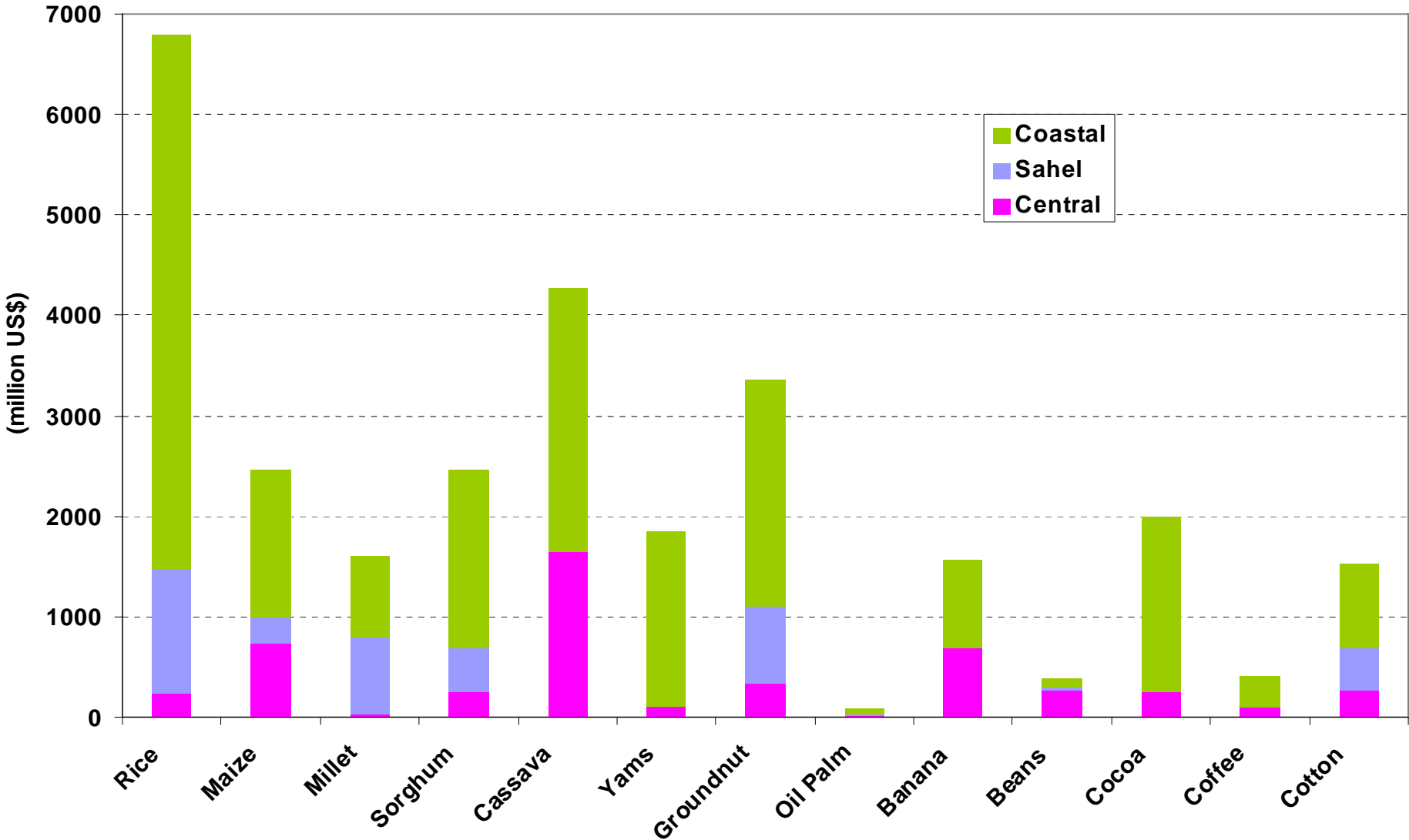
- ↻ Changing roles and responsibilities of CORAF/WE CARD
- ↻ Sub-regional priorities should be ranked econometrically
- ↻ Take into consideration CAADP and FAAP
- ↻ Use of logical framework as planning tool

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Potentials for Growth

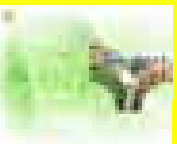




General Objective

High broad-based
agricultural growth
sustainably established in
WCA

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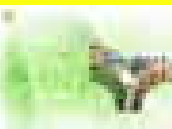




Specific Objective

Broad-based agricultural productivity, competitiveness and markets sustainably improved for targeted groups in WCA

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Result 1: Appropriate technologies and innovations developed

Use of IAR4D approach

Appropriate to different targeted groups

The core activity of agricultural research systems, now and in the past

End point is appropriate technology and/or innovation

Result 2: Strategic decision-making options for policy, institutions, and markets developed

It is applied, it is intended to inform policy

This is about policy analysis and research

Has not received much attention in the past – *business unusual!*



Result 3: Sub-Regional agricultural research system strengthened and coordinated

CORAF/WECARD role of capacity building

Sub-regional research system is sum of all sub-systems and organisations

Two elements: strengthening and coordination

End point is a strengthened system with greater coordination

Result 4: Demand for agricultural knowledge from targeted clients facilitated and met

Ensures that R1, R2, and R3 are demand-led and results used

End point is that demand is **actually** met – stronger and broader than '*delivered into uptake pathways*' – *business unusual*

Strategic Plan

State A

10
years

State B

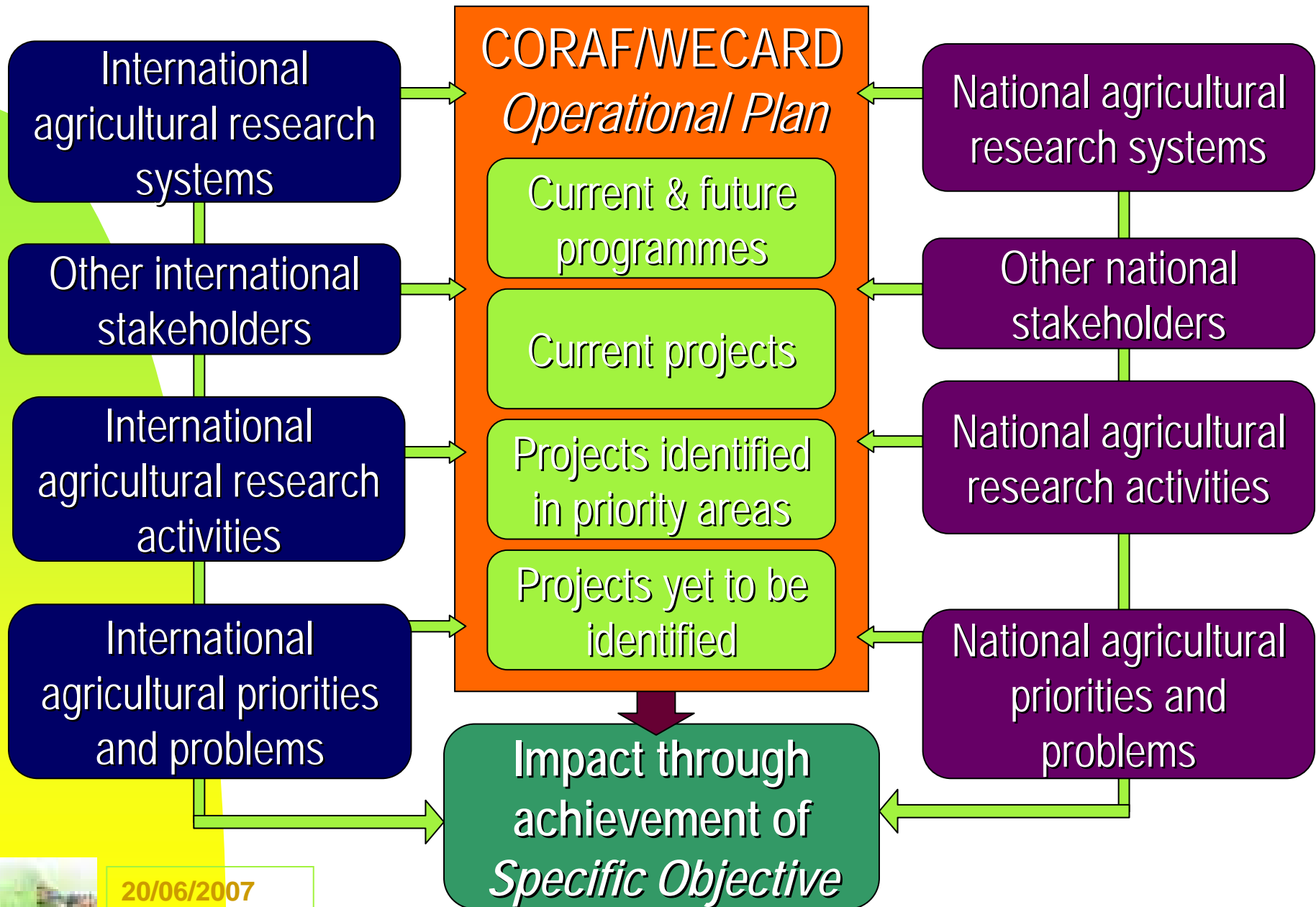
Wholly nested within
Strategic Plan

5 Year Plan
*Operational
Plan (1)*

What we have to
do to get there

5 Year Plan
*Operational
Plan (2)*

Achieving Specific Objectives: CORAF's Target



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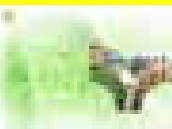
Programme Approach Overview

Programmes: centrally co-ordinated –
paradigm shift

Programme Managers will facilitate and
manage implementation

Programmes managed by Managers with
principal skills in research & management

Project leaders - focus on implementation



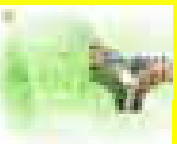


Programme Approach

Requires significant changes in organisational and institutional systems and structures

- Changes to be integrated into programmes
- Changes require specific and planned mechanisms for management
- There will be changes in the roles and responsibilities of stakeholders

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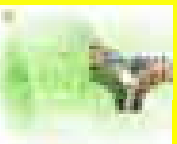




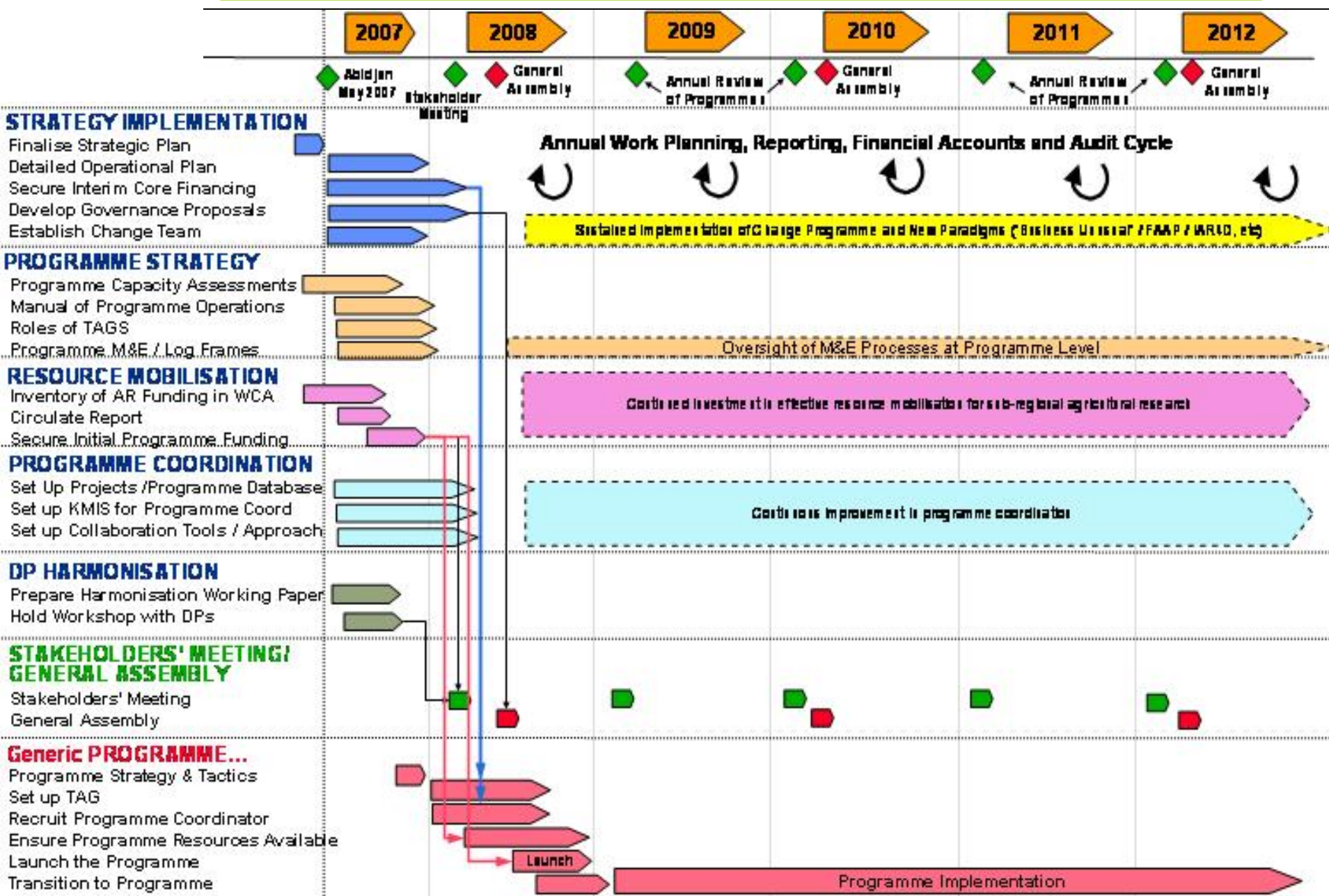
Programme Approach - Structure

1. Livestock, Fisheries and Aquaculture
2. Staple Crops
3. Non-staple crops
4. Natural Resource Management,
5. Policy, markets, trade
6. Knowledge management
7. Capacity strengthening and co-ordination
8. Biotechnology and Biosafety

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Schematic implementation schedule





Financial Partners

Countries (NARS)

ECOWAS - UEMOA

CEEAC - CEMAC

DFID

USAID

World Bank

CTA

EC

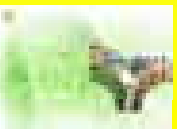
AfDB

CIDA CANADA

MAE (France)

IFAD

IDRC





Strengthened Organizational/Institutional Capacities of CORAF/WE CARD



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Core functions

1. Capacity Strengthening

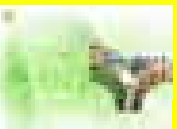
- Strengthened NARS is basis for strong CORAF/WE CARD
- This functions recognizes need to focus on emerging NARS
- Build capacity to operate new research paradigm
- Strategy will identifies and prioritises key elements of new paradigm: SCARDA



Core functions

2. Co-ordination

- IAR4D paradigm requires carefully managed co-ordination
- CORAF/WECARD adds value to efforts of NARS via co-ordinating inter-NARS initiatives, capitalizing on synergies
- Key issue is to coordinate stakeholders who will need to internalise IAR4D paradigm
- Centralised location of Programme Managers enhances co-ordination

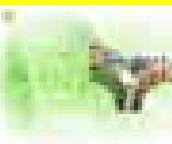




Core functions

3. Knowledge management

- Specific programme and Result area associated with knowledge management
- New approaches focuses on development of relationships to enable effective and significant exchange of knowledge
- Innovative in approach utilising a range of options and methodologies, to develop and improve current technologies

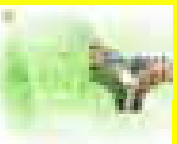




Organisation and Governance

- Greater participation by a range of stakeholders
- General Assembly remains sovereign
- Governing Board composition changes
- Changes in internal structure & management systems of Scientific & Technical Committee

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