Accelerating transformation of food, land, and water systems under climate crisis requires institutional innovations. The Quality of Research for Development (Qo4RD) framework facilitates CGIAR System-wide agreement on what constitutes “quality” for problem-oriented research designed to have impact. Experience demonstrated that R4D criteria should extend beyond conventional research output or impact metrics (e.g., peer-reviewed publications and their citations) and should include relevance, scientific credibility, legitimacy (which includes local acceptance), and effectiveness. Qo4RD was co-designed using a consultative process and involving representatives from entities across CGIAR leading or assessing research quality. This Side Event will explore how QoR4D can strengthen different levels of institutional innovations as it supports good governance in CGIAR and AR4D organizations.

Introduction: Strengthening Institutional Innovation
5 minutes
Nompumelelo Obokoh
ISDC Vice Chair and Chairperson, Board of the National Research Foundation (NRF), South Africa

Evaluating Quality of Research - Why, How, Who and When
15 minutes and 5 minutes of Q&A
Jillian Lenne
Consultant in AR4D engaged with CAS Secretariat on Evaluating Quality of Science in the CGIAR, UK

QoR4D Framework & Application
15 minutes and 5 minutes of Q&A
Andrew Ash
ISDC Member and Adjunct Professor, School of Agriculture and Food Sciences, University of Queensland, Australia

From Quality Research to Impact – the Innovation Challenge
15 minutes and 5 minutes of Q&A
Holger Meinke
ISDC Chair and Adjunct Research Professor for Global Food Sustainability, University of Tasmania, Australia

Panel Discussion with Speakers
25 minutes
Moderated by Side Event Chair Nompumelelo Obokoh

Discussion opening by Marc Schut
Strategic Advisor and Senior Innovation and Scaling Scientist, CGIAR and Wageningen University & Research, Rwanda

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