

Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture



Introduction to MACS and workshop objectives



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MACS – Meeting of Agricultural Chief Scientists of G20 States

In 2011 - Agricultural Ministers of G20 States decided to establish an annual meeting of their Agricultural Chief Scientists

Detailed information on MACS mandate and functioning –

www.macs-g20.org



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Overarching goals and mission of MACS

- Transparency of national agricultural research focuses and research structures in G20 states
- ➡ Identifying research priorities of global relevance
- ➡ Developing joint transnational strategies to tackle key problems
- Agreeing upon suitable formats for an increasingly continuous collaboration between G20 partners
- ➡ New impulses for improved G20 research collaboration























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2012 – Guadalajara, Mexico



2013 – Moscow, Russia



2014 – Brisbane, Australia



2015 – Izmir, Turkey



2016 – Xi'an, China











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MACS – Important previous and ongoing activities

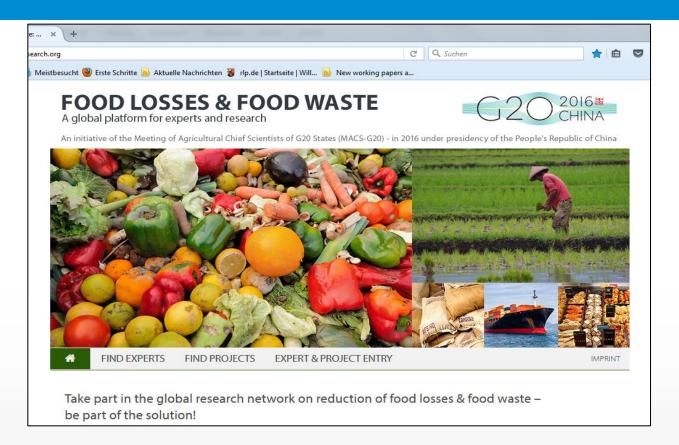
- Metrics of Sustainable Agricultural Productivity (2013/2014, led by USA)
- Sharing research priorities and prioritization models (2014, led by UK)
- Working Group on Animal diseases High Priority Vaccines (2014/2015, led by UK)
- MACS collaboration initiative on Food Losses & Food Waste (since 2015, led by Germany)
- Working group on Agricultural Technology Sharing (ATS) (since 2016, led by China)







MACS initiative on Food Losses & Waste – first step in 2016: Global FLW Research Platform



Key objectives of www.global-flw-research.org:

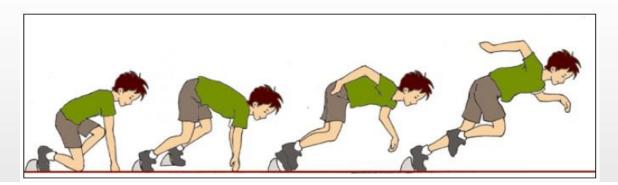
Provide global information on FLW experts and up-to-date FLW research activities

Facilitate a reliable coordination mechanism for joint MACS activities in the future

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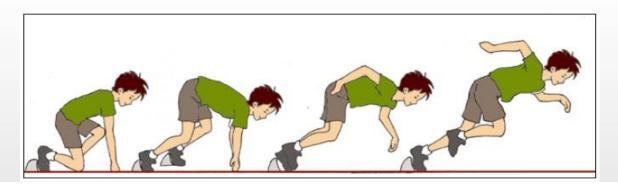
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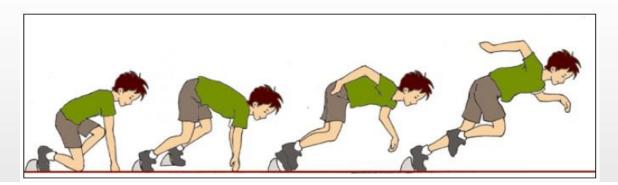
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