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As part of the project, in 2020, Regional Agricultural Research and Extension Organizations (RREO) in Africa, Asia and Latin America jointly carried out rapid appraisals to scope the innovation environment and identify and document initiatives aimed at strengthening Agricultural Innovation Systems (AIS).

The focus of the joint rapid appraisals (JRA) was on functional capacity development with a view to exploring ways in which RREO can support the development of these capacities using TAP approaches and tools. The three regional studies were consolidated in the Synthesis report, which will be launched during this event.

The main objectives of the webinar are to raise awareness and promote joint actions by RREO on strengthening capacity to innovate through integration of TAP Common Framework for capacity development.
Specifically the webinar will:

- present key findings from the Synthesis report on capacity development for innovation
- raise awareness and advocate for joint actions by research and extension organizations
- identify entry points for integration of Common Framework of capacity development within the programmes and projects of Regional Research and Extension Organizations.

*This webinar is open to the partners contributed to the report and other interested parties. The webinar will be in English with Spanish interpretation.*

**AGENDA**

15:00 – 15:10 | Welcome remarks | Objectives of the webinar

15:10 – 15:30 | Background of the Joint Rapid Appraisal | Presentation of key findings from the Synthesis report

15:30 – 16:10 | Talk show: Regional perspectives – success factors, challenges and way forward

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16:15 – 16:30 | Summary and way forward | Closing remarks

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