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Amendment to the Administration Agreement between the Commission of the European Communities and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association for support to the Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa (ASARECA)
(TF No. 071104) – Contract DCI-FOOD/2012/306-775
EC Ref. 2011/279/840

Dear Mr. Schmidt:

1. We refer to the Administration Agreement between the European Community, represented by the Commission of the European Communities (the “Commission” or the “Donor”) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association (collectively, the “Bank”), regarding the “Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa” (“ASARECA”) (the “Trust Fund”) (TF 071104), signed on December 20, 2011 (the “Administration Agreement”), as amended.

2. We are pleased to acknowledge, on behalf of the Bank, the intention of the Donor to make a supplemental contribution to the Trust Fund in the amount of ten million Euros (EUR 10,000,000) (the “Supplemental Contribution”) in accordance with the following payment schedule:

   Advance payment: EUR 3,000,000
   Intermediate payment: 45% EUR 4,500,000
   (subject to the provisions of the General Conditions)
Final payment: 5%

EUR 500,000

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3. The Donor shall deposit the Supplemental Contribution into such bank account designated by the Bank promptly following countersignature of this Agreement by the Donor and submission of a payment request by the Bank.

4. When making the deposit, the Donor shall instruct its bank to include in its payment details information (remittance advice) field of its SWIFT payment message, information indicating: the amount paid, that the payment is made by Donor for TF 071104 Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa” (“ASARECA”) Trust Fund, and the date of the deposit. In addition, the Donor shall provide a copy of the Donor’s deposit instruction to the Bank’s Accounting Trust Funds Division by e-mail sent to tfremitadvice@worldbank.org or by fax sent to (202) 614-1315.

5. Immediately upon receipt of the Contribution funds, the Bank will convert such funds into United States Dollars.

6. In addition, following discussions between the Bank and the Donor regarding the need to widen the scope of the Project under the Trust Fund, the Bank proposes to add a new sub-paragraph (d) to paragraph 2 of Annex 1 to the Administration Agreement, and to renumber the existing sub-paragraph (d) as (e):

“(d) Support to ASARECA’s Knowledge and Information Hub

Establishing a knowledge and information hub with a view to increase competitiveness of the agricultural sector in Eastern and Central Africa, including (i) serving as a regional focal point for the generation and exchange of knowledge, networking and development of new ideas; (ii) promoting technologies, innovation and management practices; (iii) collecting, analyzing and producing data and information to support discourse and advocacy for agriculture and related trade policy issues; and (iv) building platforms to generate and disseminate knowledge and information acquired, and facilitate learning.”

7. Moreover, pursuant to recent discussions between the Bank and the Donor, the Bank proposes to amend the Administration Agreement to extend the End Disbursement Date to June 30, 2019 to read as follows:
Section 2.03

"Section 2.03. It is expected that an amount of the trust fund equal to the contribution will be fully utilized in accordance with the provisions of this Administration Agreement by June 30, 2019 ("End Disbursement Date"). The End Disbursement Date can only be modified with the agreement of both Parties pursuant to Article 9 of the General Conditions."

Paragraph 8.1 of Annex III

"It is expected that the Contribution funds will be fully disbursed by the Bank in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement by June 30, 2019. The Bank will only disburse Contribution funds for the purposes of this Agreement after such date with written approval of the Donors."

8. Furthermore, notwithstanding Section 3.1 of the Standard Provision, the Bank may deduct and retain for its own account, as a deduction from the Supplemental Contribution, an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the Supplemental Contribution as an administrative fee for the Trust Fund.

9. In addition, notwithstanding Section 3.2 of the Standard Provision, costs incurred by the Bank for other expenses, such as for program management and Trust Fund administration, that are (i) not covered by the percentage deduction specified above as an administrative fee and (ii) not included under Annex 1 of the Administration Agreements in accordance with the Bank’s applicable policies and procedures shall be charged to the Trust on an actual basis up to a maximum of point eighty seven percent (0.87%) of the Supplemental Contribution.

10. In addition, the following Section 7.02 is added to Article 7 (Other Conditions Applying to the Project) of the Administration Agreement:

"Section 7.02. The measures taken to identify all MDTF donors, including the European Union, as the source of financing shall be that all publications, training, programmes, seminars or symposia financed under the MDTF, and all press releases or other public information materials issued by the Bank with respect to the MDTF shall clearly indicate that the activities in question have received funding from the MDTF donors, including the European Union. The visibility actions will be further defined in a Communication and Visibility Plan, agreed by the Bank and the Commission, in line with the Joint Visibility Guidelines Relating to EC-funded WB-administered Trust Funds and Co-financings (2009). The communication and Visibility Plan will take into account the complexities of multi-donor support."

11. All other terms of the Administration Agreement shall remain the same.

12. The Bank will disclose this Agreement and related information on this Trust Fund in accordance with the World Bank Policy on Access to Information. By entering into this
Agreement, the Donor consents to disclosure of this Agreement and related information on this Trust Fund.

13. We propose that this letter shall constitute an amendment to the Administration Agreement between the Bank and the Commission upon countersignature. Please confirm your acceptance to the foregoing, on behalf of the Commission, by signing and dating the three originals, retaining two originals for your records and returning one original to the Bank.

Sincerely,

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
International Development Association

[Signature]

Colin Bruce
Director, Strategy, Operations and Regional Integration
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CONFIRMED AND AGREED:

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

By: ________________________________

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Name: P.O. TOM MELAM [Signature]

Title: Acting Head of Operations

Date: 18/12/13