

World Bank Support to Agricultural Research, Biotechnology and Regulatory Development. (C07-byerlee132802-Oral)

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Abstract:

The World Bank is the largest international donor/lender for agricultural research, lending some 200 million dollars annually to national research systems, and providing a grant of 50 million dollars annually to the CGIAR. Support to agricultural research funds research directly as well as institutional and regulatory development. This presentation will highlight areas of support with particular reference to biotechnology, and associated IPR and biosafety regulations. Emphasis is on capacity development for policy makers, research managers and scientists to make informed decisions about appropriate scientific tools and to facilitate access to modern science to tackle high priority problems of poor consumers and producers.

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