

Financial arrangements joint working group (JWG) Meeting 3/2014

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Communiqué

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Apologies

Apologies were received from Mr Pollard and Ms Matthews. Mr Gregan was unsuccessful in joining the teleconference from Beijing and made an apology.

Matters discussed

The GIA Financial Arrangements Joint Working Group (JWG) met for the third time on 23 May 2014 by teleconference. The group agreed a three-level framework for GIA financial arrangements for policy, guidance and process. Policy is stated in the Deed. Guidance is developed as principles to ensure a common understanding and interpretation of the Deed policy, noting the balance between enabling consistency and allowing flexibility discussed at Biosecurity Forum 2014/I. Process refer to methods, standards, tools and other resources that assist the calculation of cost shares and fiscal caps.

The JWG reviewed the cost share and fiscal cap analysis presented in the three level framework and agreed most principles subject to minor amendment. Issues arising that may warrant additional principle(s) will be considered at the next JWG meeting early-July by working through a pest or disease response scenario. External resources will be invited to assist the group to clarify some of the underlying economic theories.

In July 2014, the JWG will present information to the Transitional Deed Governance Group (TDGG) for approval to circulate outputs to participants of the GIA Biosecurity Forum 2014/II in September.

For more information on the Financial Arrangements JWG, please contact Adam Benseman, GIA Secretariat.