

Overview of the National Primary Industries R,D&E Framework

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Background

- PIERD Act 1989 – John Kerin
- PIMC 8 (April 2005)
 - Ministers agreed to concept of national 'R' with regional 'D&E'
- PIMC 10 (April 2006)
 - Ministers agreed to a set of principles to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of national RD&E capability
- PIMC 14 (April 2008)
 - Ministers agreed to the development of a National Primary Industries R,D&E Framework
- PIMC 17 (November 2009)
 - Statement of Intent
 - 9 PISC agencies (incl. CSIRO), 16 RDC's, Australian Council of Deans of Agriculture

What holds the 26 parties together?

- Same stakeholders: governments / industries
- Serve the same people: industry / community
- Same objectives for outcomes
- Same objectives for efficiency & effectiveness & overcoming the frustrations in the system
- Face similar pressures and accountability
- Same reliance on the sustainability of the system
- Nearly all of us have mixed roles as investors & providers

Framework Outcomes (1)

- To provide **shared strategic directions** and priorities for national and sector level primary industries RD&E in Australia that enhance the productivity and sustainability of Australia's primary industries.
- **Research capability** will more comprehensively and holistically **cover the present and future strategic needs of stakeholders nationally.**
- Public **research capability** will become **more integrated, interdependent and specialised, and have larger critical mass** with less fragmentation across the nation.
- **Efficiency and effectiveness of RD&E will be improved and as a consequence returns on investment will improve.**

Framework Outcomes (2)

- RD&E investment will **improve the capability** of the national system in priority areas and ensure effective and efficient use of resources, including infrastructure.
- The Parties will **collaborate to retain and build capability** in fields strategically important to their jurisdictions and industries.
- The **national research** capability will be an **integral component of a wider innovation agenda, supporting development and extension.**
- **Research** undertaken in one location will **developed and extended nationally for primary industries.**

Progress

- PIMC 14 (Nov 08)
 - climate change
- PIMC 16 (Nov 09)
 - pork, wine, dairy
- PIMC 17 (Apr 10)
 - **beef, sheep meat**, poultry, fishing & aquaculture, forest & wood products
- PIMC 18 (Nov 10)
 - grains, horticulture, sugar, new & emerging industries, animal welfare
- 2011-12
 - cotton, wool, water use in agriculture, biofuels & bioenergy, animal biosecurity, plant biosecurity, food & nutrition

Role of R,D&E Subcommittee

- Develop the **scope** of the National Framework for approval by Ministers
- Work with the Parties to **identify the co-leadership and support roles**
- Define, **oversight** and monitor a broad process for sector and cross-sector strategy development
- Develop the necessary **agreements** to ensure the National R,D&E Framework functions effectively
- At a level above the individual strategies, **work cooperatively to foster collaboration and change management plans and stakeholder engagement**
- Establish a process for **reporting** on the implementation of the National R,D&E Framework

The Subcommittee also has a role in developing broad **communication** and other plans to facilitate the dissemination of national research to relevant regions.

Role of Strategy Teams

- Define the scope, nature, timeframes and quality of the strategy.
- Arrange industry and agency approvals prior to endorsement by PISC and PIMC.
- Establish strategy governance arrangements for ongoing implementation of the strategy.

Benefits

- Agreed national strategies, combined effort
- Focus on future capability
- New broader governance arrangements
- More strategic engagement
- Teamwork & collaborative culture
- Large coalitions of specialists
- More stable funding arrangements
- New funding models
- Significant new capital investments
- Better defined roles for jurisdictions
- System evolving more rapidly

Strategy Leaders Forum

- Melbourne, 25th May 2011
- To assist strategy implementation & resolve common issues

Vision of success

1. I understand how the Framework was established & why
2. I know what is expected of the Parties under the Framework
3. I can see the benefits for my business in being involved
4. I know how the Framework will be managed
5. I can have confidence in the Framework – commitment and governance
6. I know where I can get help

Current Management Projects

- Guidelines
- Extension
- Intellectual Property
- Knowledge management
- Harmonisation
- Data Sets

General issues

- Implementation processes
- Competition vs. collaboration
- University engagement
- Securing capability
- Realising under-utilised capability
- Governance models

Emerging issues

- Funding cross sector strategies
- Framework costs & overheads
- Criteria for Major, Support & Link
- Communication