



G20 MACS Task Force

Khobar, Saudi Arabia February 18, 2020





Established: 2019 G20 MACS, Tokyo, Japan

Objective: Develop G20 MACS guiding principles for working groups and initiatives emanating from MACS.

From 2019 MACS Communique: "We [G20 Agricultural Chief Scientists] decided on a task force to be cochaired by Australia and the United States to develop guiding principles for working groups and initiatives emanating from MACS. The task force plans to deliver draft principles to MACS country representatives two months in advance of, for review and approval at, the 2020 MACS. The guiding principles may be incorporated into the MACS Terms of Reference after approval."





Task Force Members: U.S. (co-chair), Australia (co-chair) Japan, United Kingdom, Saudi Arabia, Germany, India, Canada, EU, China, Russia, Italy, France, Argentina, and South Korea.

2019 Work Plan:

- July 14: Letter from U.S. and Australia to G20 designating cochairs and requesting task force members by June 30, extended to July 8.
- July 11: Welcome from co-chairs with work plan timeline.
- Aug 6: Survey issued to task force members, due Aug 23.
- Oct 10: First draft principles issued for review to task force, due Oct 25.
- Nov 12: Second draft principles issued to task force small team to work through remaining issues.
- Dec 3: Letter from task force co-chairs to Troika providing draft principles and unresolved issues.