

CARIAA Second Annual Learning Review

Venue: [Hotel de Wageningen Berg](#), Wageningen, The Netherlands

Dates: May 14-16, 2016

Rationale and Objectives of the meeting

One of the key objectives of the Collaborative Adaptation Research Initiative in Africa and Asia is to ensure that high quality research is used by key stakeholders, within communities or by relevant policy-makers. In order to achieve this, the CARIAA program aims to build synergies across consortia, in particular by promoting learning and exchanges on emerging research themes of common interest; and encouraging new ways to look at those themes and to communicate research results.

By the end of Year 1, consortia and the CARIAA team met in Nairobi for the first Annual Learning Review, focusing on ways to make Research-into-Use (RiU) more effective, and highlighting a series of needs and steps for the way forward.

Main Objective of the Second Annual Learning Review

To agree on common themes for research, research uptake and synthesis where innovative approaches by consortia have the potential to be taken to scale and to have an impact on vulnerability reduction in the CARIAA hotspots; and to understand how CARIAA can help to better unlock consortia's potential on such themes.

We hope to achieve this objective in a three-day workshop bringing together a representative number of consortia key team members and students, as well as selected external speakers, facilitators with a deep knowledge of the CARIAA program, and members from CARIAA's advisory committee .

The third and last day will be dedicated to a guided discussion on progress against the CARIAA Learning Framework.

We believe that, as consortia reach their mature phase and Working Groups progress at different rhythms, the Second Annual Learning Review comes at the right moment (not too soon to share learning, not too late to address challenges) in time to share experience on the successes and challenges met by Working Groups, other cross-consortia work or on emerging themes of common interest; and agree on ideas on how to advance on them.

Facilitators

The workshop will be facilitated by Blane Harvey, Pete Cranston, and Marissa van Epp, three consultants from Euforic Services Ltd. The three team members are already familiar with CARIAA. Euforic is a UK-based consultancy company supporting development organizations with communications, knowledge management, digital strategy and facilitation.



CARIAA 2nd Annual Learning Review Saturday 14 – Monday 16 March 2016

	Day 1 - Saturday Taking stock & identifying collaborative options	Day 2 - Sunday Developing proposals and intensifying collaborations	Day 3 - Monday CARIAA learning
08:30	Registration – Day One only		
09:00	Welcome, introductions and workshop structure Updates by consortia (ASSAR & PRISE) Table discussions: reflections, reactions & questions	Welcome back: Check-in and schedule for today Parallel Conversations (cont.) Feedback on emerging themes, progress in existing collaborations and new ideas	Welcome back: Check-in and schedule for today CARIAA M&E and Learning framework & Theory of Change Progress since 2015 ALR and identification of challenges - working within and across consortia
30 mins.	Break	Break	Break
	Updates by consortia (DECCMA & HI-AWARE) Table discussions: reflections, reactions & questions Plenary discussion: emerging themes and questions	Panel discussion – reactions from discussants What can the CARIAA program do to help? Identifying concrete proposals for further discussion	Review of progress and identification of challenges (cont.) Feedback on progress and challenges
1 hour	Lunch	Lunch - Marketplace of communication products	Lunch
14:00	Enlightening sessions	Energising and reflection space Developing proposals and plans for collaborations	Day One & Day Two output - implications for M&E and Learning framework Developing consortia level learning plans
30 mins.	Break	Break	Break
	Parallel Conversations (cont.) Soundings – progress and emerging themes Review of the day and look ahead to tomorrow	Developing proposals and plans for collaborations (cont.) Presentation of proposals and plans Synthesis of the day and look ahead to tomorrow	Consortia learning plans (cont.) Final comments from discussants Event Evaluation
17:00	Close of day 1	Close of day 2	Close of day 3
Evening	<i>Dinner offered to all participants (18:00-20:00) (optional) Crash courses on infographics and outcome mapping and informal discussion on scaling research (19:00-21:00)</i>	<i>Conference dinner at Castle of Amerongen Bus schedule: Departure at 17:30 from the hotel. Departure at 22:00 from Amerongen (30 min. bus ride)</i>	<i>Farewell drinks and bites (17:30-18:30)</i>

Note: On Friday, May 13, participants are invited to welcome drinks and bites (19:30-20:30) at the hotel. A registration table will also be set up 13:00-16:00 and 19:30-20:30.