

# **INIA's New Internationalization Strategy**

- International Cooperation has been one of the priority policies since the creation of INIA as a support tool in the development of INIA's R+D plans.
- The internationalization of INIA implies the development of cohesive and strong links with the most relevant scientific and technological institutions of excellence at the global level.

# INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IAC)

With members of international institutions of reference called to advise INIA authorities in scientific and organizational management issues.

The composition of the IAC with the highest authorities of IRTA, Teagasc, AgResearch and Rothamsted Research aims also at increasing the mutual knowledge required for the sustainability and development of long term inter-institutional relationships.



# Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) INIA- RRes



Instituto Nacional de Investigación Agropecuaria  
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ROTHAMSTED  
RESEARCH



- Institutional Agreement in place
- Postdocs and in-service trainings (2015-16)
- International Partnering Awards: “Developing metrics and use of long term datasets in grassland systems” (2016-18)
- Royal Society International: “Simulated Sustainability Indices of Grassland Innovations for Food Security” (2017-18)
- Actively looking for funding: BBRC, ANII, FPTA; etc
- Coordinated actions in international networks: Sustainable Development Solutions Network, WUN: Global Farm Platforms

# Establishment of a Strategic Partnership



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An agreement establishing the Strategic Alliance (SA) was signed on December 2015

- General objective: Promoting research projects and other activities that address common challenges in agri-food productivity, competitiveness and sustainability, with the purpose of strengthening their capacities in agricultural sciences and innovation.

## **SP OBJECTIVES:**

- Promoting an active exchange of data, personnel and research between the partners
- Collaborating in the process of institutional evaluation of the members of the SP, and sharing best practices on research management (institutional development), technology transfer and innovation
- Promoting human capital strategic development, postgraduate fellowships (sabbatical periods)
- Promoting scientific activities among members of the SP (Including Joint Research Programmes and joint applications for research grants)



## GOVERNANCE MECHANISM

- Board of Directors: With representatives of all partners
- Scientific and Technical Committee for identification of inter-institutional projects of the best scientific-technical quality and most strategically relevant
- Executive Secretary: Open call, appointed by the Board of Directors

*It is envisaged that formal governance structures will evolve to meet the appropriate needs of the developing partnership.*

## 24-26 October Workshop

# Sustainable Intensification of Grassland Systems

### Expected outcomes:

- Active exchange of scientific information and research staff
- Development of R+D+i Consortium Projects
- Cooperating in the process of strategic thinking on I+D+i around these issues

