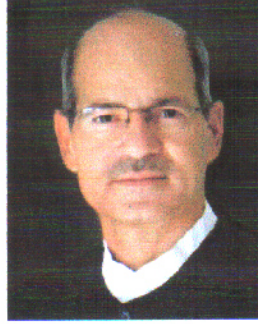


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Message

I am happy to know that 1st International Agrobiodiversity Congress (IAC-2016) is being organized in India; in New Delhi from 6-9 November, 2016. India has a rich, diverse tradition, culture, biodiversity and knowledge to share with rest of the world on a sustainable basis. Government of India has put in place balancing policies to promote biotechnologies, conserve biodiversity, and ensure facilitated access and benefit sharing. Wealth of our agrobiodiversity and genetic resources needs to be perpetuated for posterity to ensure food, nutritional and environmental security for coming generations in face of the climate change and other challenges.

I find the planning and programme of the IAC 2016 quite impressive, and hope that the platform will be useful for knowledge sharing on all aspects of agrobiodiversity management and use by participants from India and other countries. I congratulate the Indian Society of Plant Genetic Resources, the Biodiversity International and all others jointly organizing this mega international event for the first time, that too in India.

I convey my best wishes for the success of IAC 2016.

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