



Memorandum of Understanding

Between

The International Dryland Development Commission (IDDC)

&

The International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA)

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the International Dryland Development Commission (IDDC), based in Cairo, Egypt, was founded in 1987 by individuals and institutions interested in sustainable development of the dry areas by fostering research collaboration and networking,

WHEREAS, the IDDC provides a global platform to concerned scientists and experts for exchange of information,

WHEREAS, IDDC has a *modus operandi* for networking by convening international scientific conferences, group discussions and seminars, and publishing and disseminating proceedings of these scientific deliberations widely to enhance awareness of individuals and institutions.

WHEREAS the International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA) is an autonomous non-profit international research center established in 1977 with headquarters in Beirut, Lebanon and a member of the CGIAR Consortium of International Agricultural Research Centers.

WHEREAS, ICARDA's mission is to contribute to the improvement of livelihoods of the resource-poor in dry areas by enhancing food and nutritional security and alleviating poverty through research and partnerships to achieve sustainable increases in agricultural productivity and income, while ensuring the efficient and more equitable use and conservation of natural resources,

This MOU is intended to set forth the general understanding of the parties with respect to areas of collaboration and is not intended to, contractually bind the parties.

AS AGREED by the parties and signed by their authorized representatives herewith.

Signature:



Name: Adel El-Beltagy

In his personal capacity, as Chairman of
the International Dryland Development
Commission

Date: 23.9.2018

Signature:



Name: Aly Abousabaa

Director General, International Center for
Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas

Date: 23.9.2018