

Strengthening Foresight Capacity For Rural Development: Collective Actions By Regional Fora

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Outline

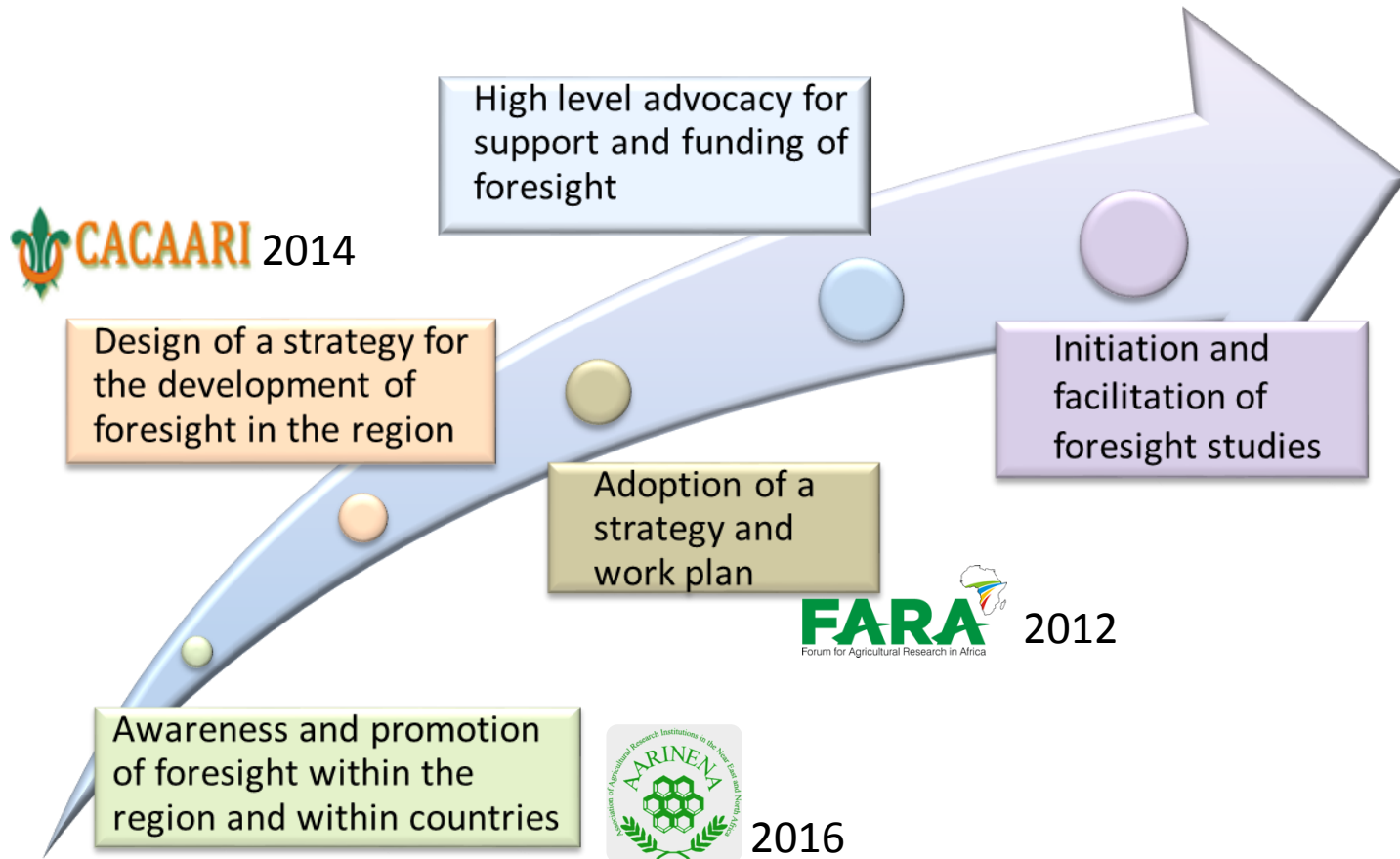
- **Objectives**
- **Achievements to-date**
- **Take home from GCARD3**
- **Partnerships**

What we want to achieve

- ❑ Promote the emergence of local foresight capacities in our regions to make better decisions concerning research, policies and investments in relation to food, agriculture and rural development **taking advantage of a cross-regional initiative**
 - ✓ Support the development of foresight capabilities in the regions at individual and organizational level in all countries
 - ✓ Promote platforms for young professionals in the regions that acknowledge their abilities to engage in foresight and allow them to participate in policy making processes at the highest level
 - ✓ Operationalize foresight in the regions by stimulating, catalysing, encouraging and enabling foresight studies that are led and executed by local teams

What have we done so far

- Proposed a five-step common approach to enhancing foresight capacities



With whom?

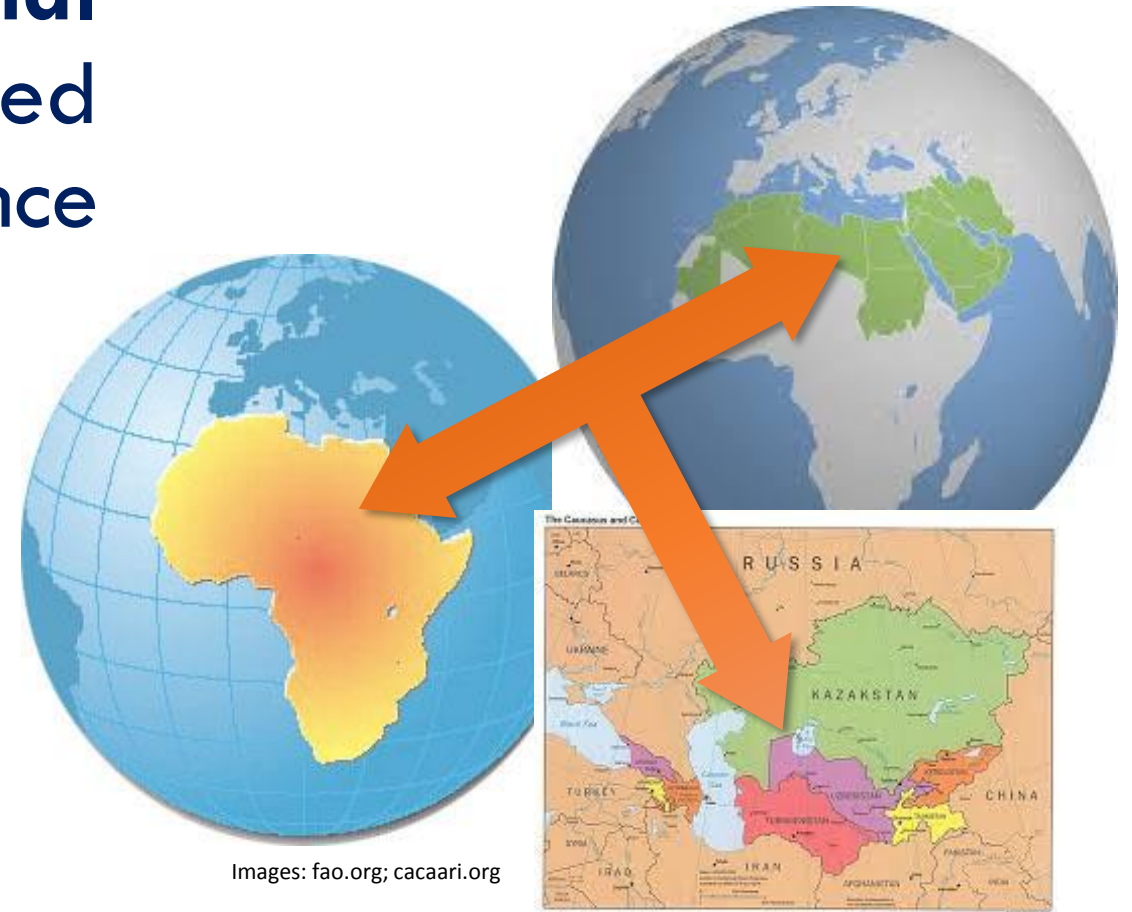
- Doers/Facilitators:*
 - AARINENA*
 - CACAARI*
 - FARA*
- Technical support: GFAR Secretariat

What we have done so far

- ❑ **Established the core principles of the “regional foresight academies”** (by FARA and adopted by CACAARI and AARINENA)
- ❑ **Raised awareness about foresight** through dedicated events (FARA, CACAARI, AARINENA)
- ❑ **Regional chapter of the foresight academy** (symbolically launched by FARA; agreement to establish a chapter by CACAARI)
- ❑ **Foresight mainstreamed in regional strategies** (Foresight is one of the three pillars of FARA’s MTOP 2014 – 2018; CACARRI mid-term plan establishing a regional foresight platform; AARINENA concept note on including foresight in AARINENA strategy)
- ❑ **Engaged with regional partners** (FARA partnered with the Foresight for Development Platform and constituted a Regional Agricultural Foresight Advisory Committee; regional consultations including foresight by CACAARI)

What we want to achieve through GCARD3

- **An inter-regional operational partnership for joint coordinated activities supporting the emergence of regional foresight capacities**



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Who could be our partners

- Regional Fora: FARA, AARINENA & CACAARI
- Regional-based foresight initiatives (e.g. Foresight for Development Platform)
- Regional thinkthinks in agriculture and rural development
- National agricultural research and education centres
- International research centres
- Regional and global policy organisations