

## Banana R&D Strategic Investment Advisory Panel meeting summary

Date: 11 May 2016

**Location:** Novotel Hotel, Cairns

Next Meeting: via teleconference 27 July 2016

Attendance:

Andre Drenth Astrid Hughes
Stewart Ben Callaghan
Lindsay Tim Archibald
Cameron (Teleconference)
Mackay Peter Whittle
Mark Nucifora (Teleconference)

Doug Phillips Brenda Kranz Teleconference)
Stephen Spear Rosie Godwin (Observer)

David Tate Susanne Coster

(Stenographer)

Apology – Matt Abbott

## **Overview**

The inaugural meeting held with the Banana R&D Strategic Investment Advisory Panel (SIAP) was focused on providing an induction to the panel and determining the priorities for future investment specifically with the continuation of the plant protection program.

The following overview outlines the key discussion points –

- Horticulture Innovation Induction including governance procedures, the role of the SIAP, the funding model with Hort Innovation and the procurement and advisory process including the innovation funnel was presented and discussed.
- An overview of recent visits to Philippines and Taiwan for TR4.
- A presentation and workshop facilitated session outlining—plant protection investment
- Rural R&D for Profit
- Concepts received through Hort Innovation
- An update on the banana bunchy top program

A full list of projects and financial information for the Banana R&D levy program is available online through the Horticulture Innovation website.

## Next steps

Another meeting to review and determine next steps and prioritise investment in research areas beyond plant protection will occur later in the year. This meeting will be held in conjunction with the Banana Marketing Strategic Investment Advisory Panel.

## **Contact**

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