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EAGLES Forum

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The greatest humanitarian challenges for the life sciences lie in the problems of illness, starvation and environmental degradation that are faced by hundreds of millions of people in the world. These people suffer from poor health and poor nutrition while their environment is being destroyed at an alarming rate. The global needs of food, health and environmental protection are intrinsically connected with each other, and life scientists have an obvious and onerous responsibility to address them.

Many biologists believe that European life sciences could make a much greater contribution to solving these problems. The key question is how can this be done, and what can those who are interested in this problem do to help? The EAGLES Consortium, organised by the European Federation of Biotechnology, is developing new ways of helping to address these questions.

The first key proposal is that Europe should listen to and be guided by distinguished life scientists from the developing countries.

The EAGLES Consortium wishes to design and implement a programme to be carried out mostly by distinguished life scientists from developing countries which will help to stimulate and guide the people of Europe on how best to fund activities that will allow the European life sciences to respond to global challenges.

The first objective of EAGLES is educational and political in the most general sense. EAGLES is proposing that more attention should be paid to the opinions of leading life scientists from developing countries. We are seeking support for a project to develop a mechanism that would give a platform and an authority in Europe to distinguished life scientists from developing countries.

Mission of EAGLES:

1. To establish a platform for outstanding scientists from the Developing Countries (DCs) in the life sciences and biotechnology to:
 - give voice in Europe through various consultations and dialogues to the needs and competencies of the DCs;
 - apply more effectively European competencies for the benefit of the poor and needy;
 - strengthen the global responsibilities of EU programmes in research, education, innovation, application and implementation.
2. To contribute to the implementation of the European Commission's Life Sciences & Biotechnology – A Strategy for Europe Action Plan, Europe's Responsibilities Towards the Developing World in relation to Agriculture, Genetic resources, Health, Responsible and careful use.
3. To (a) develop and (b) implement an action plan and a work programme to be proposed for funding to the European Commission