

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

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**Date:** 27 July 2016

**Location:** via teleconference

**Next Meeting:** to be in conjunction with the Marketing SIAP in late October

**Attendance:**

Matt Abbott	Stephen Spear
Andre Drenth	David Tate
Stewart Lindsay	Astrid Hughes
Cameron	Ben Callaghan
Mackay	Tim Archibald
Doug Phillips	Apology – Mark Nucifora

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### Overview

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The follow up teleconference to discuss the concepts across the four key areas as identified during the inaugural meeting was held. The concepts had been circulated to the panel prior to the meeting to allow enough time for feedback to be provided.

The following overview outlines the key discussion points –

- The concepts, 1) Varieties 2) QBAN 3) Diagnostics and 4) IPDM were discussed with the group. The advantages and disadvantages of a program approach versus individual projects were robustly discussed.
- The panel determined that the approach is not mutually exclusive with all Requests for Proposals to maintain strong linkages with grower input and outline how a collaborative approach and leadership position will be taken to meet the industry needs.

### Next steps

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The Request for Proposal documentation for the prioritised areas are to be prepared with incorporation of feedback from the panel.

### Contact

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