Strengthening regional capacity for joint action in Research, Extension and Innovation

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RELASER
- Latin-American Network of Rural Extension Services (2010-Chile)
- Promoting collaboration + dialogue + learning
- 17 Latin-American countries - Bolivia 2012
- Support GFRAS

FORAGRO
- American Forum for Research and Technological Development
- Improving the link between R+E+I
R&E: at the same INIA Research Center (INTA-Argentina)

R‡E: articulated by a public institution or an extension services company other than the Research Center (INDAP-Chile)

E: based on the market, passive extension (BANDECO-Costa Rica)
Articulation R&E for Innovation

- Integration of stakeholders
- Knowledge management
- Based on demand
- New disciplines
- Mutidiciplinarity
- Territorial approach

Research
structural component of innovation

Extension
functional catalyst for innovation

INNOVATION
Experiences in the region

PLATICAR
    Costa Rica

PAF
    El Salvador

Jambi-Kiwa
    Ecuador

INDAP
    Chile

I&E (innovation system)
    Transition models
Common elements cases R+E+I

- Integration of Stakeholders: networks, practice communities
- Development of technologies with social inclusion
- Starting from demand
- Joint agendas, projects
- Change of attitude and development of new skills in professionals
- Political will for articulation of R&E

R&E components of Innovation Systems
Required capacities of new extensionist

- Public policies and commitment from institutions
- Knowledge management by incorporating local knowledge
- Formation of curriculum based on demand
- Need of new extensionist profile “development manager”
- Extensionist as a catalyst and articulator with research
- Formation of multidisciplinary teams
- Monitoring, follow-up, and evaluation
Where are we going?

Towards...

1) Renovating institutions and new stakeholders

2) New partnerships and institutional arrangements

3) New extensionists capabilities

4) Cognitive processes
Thanks for your attention!