



# Board of trustees and health

# Notes from the chair

The international community has emphasized their intention to support the Millennium Development Goals (MDG) and we in the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) can contribute to many of the targets set within those goals. Currently the Science Council of the CGIAR is setting priorities for the CGIAR System to address them in a systematic manner, with the intention that the donor community will support them and give a strong foundation for long term research to prosper and produce Global Public Goods. The International Potato Center (CIP) has agreed on a new vision which addresses these MDGs, but vision in itself is not enough, we are now actively embedding this within the institution both in programs and with our staff.

The Board of Trustees has been active in ensuring we have the highest standards of governance. In 2004 the Board of the Alliance of the Future Harvest Centers of the CGIAR initiated board orientation and training courses to improve standards of governance at all centers, CIP has been an active participant in this. It is through good governance that the Board exercises its responsibilities to provide leadership, direction and oversight that are rightly required by our stakeholders.

Indeed in 2004 this leadership was demonstrated when the Board selected a new Director General, Dr. Pamela K. Anderson to succeed Dr. Hubert Zandstra when he retires in 2005. A planned and controlled change of Director General creates a stable environment in which our work can flourish. The Center has again achieved its financial targets whilst at the same time ensuring our research output is both relevant and productive.

I express my thanks to my Board and all the staff at CIP for making this another successful year for the International Potato Center.

This Annual Report will give you an insight into the high quality of work that takes place at CIP and demonstrates we have real outputs and outcomes that improve the lives of many of the poorest people in the world.

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