



# From its roots to the sprouting of GlobalHort

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Happy Birthday GlobalHort, Montpellier, April 8th



## **1998: the WCHR**

the World Conference on Horticultural Research  
*joint conference ISHS- ASHS*  
*Rome, June 1998*

**Big challenges in DCs where horticultural research is weak**

**Need to increase cooperation in Horticultural Research**

**→ Committee for Research Cooperation**

**CRC**



## ISHS..... the CRC

CRC became operational 5 years later in 2003:

in Providence, Rhode Island, 4-5 October 2003

in Chania, Crete, 11-13 April, 2004

in Arusha, Tanzania, 12 -13 February 2005

in Montpellier, 25 March, 2006 → → →





## **ISHS..... the CRC**

### Key outputs:

- attractive and facilitating procedures to involve DCs as ISHS council members; as hosting countries for ISHS meetings (executive – council – Board meetings), and symposia
- use opportunity of symposia to train researchers and technicians from DCs
- better information and communication



**CGIAR/AGM3 in Nairobi, 28-31 October 2003 ....**

### **New priorities for the CGIAR;**

1) Genetic resources

2) Breeding

**3)HVC: High Added Value Crops, including Fruits and Vegetables**

→ confirmed in AGM4 and 5

→ joint GFAR – CGIAR meeting on HAVC in Cali – *Oct 2005*

→ Process launched for a Challenge Program on HVC (*June 2007-Oct 2008*)



## **joint GFAR – CGIAR meeting on HVC**

*Cali, CIAT, 3-5 Octobre 2005*

- build a shared vision of the HVC concept, benefiting to the poorest populations,
- Examine the various possible strategies for linking smallholder farmers to markets with HVC
- Outline of a shared research "agenda" on HVC;
- Explore potential alliances, including the involvement of donors



## **Process launched for a Challenge Programme on Horticulture**

*Workshop - Challenge Program High Value Crops - ICRAF, Nairobi, Kenya; 7 – 8 June 2007*

[GlobalHort almost absent in the process leaded by AVRDC]

### **Co-Hort**

A deep engagement but a missed opportunity  
and strong disappointment of the partners

*Oct 2008: CGIAR withdrew HVC and Horticulture as a priority*

*Dec 2008 :AGM6 in Maputo: CGIAR come back to core action on staples and  
biofortification*



## **Global Horticultural Assessment GHA**

*September 2004:* initiated by the **UC Davis, The World Vegetable Center (AVRDC), Michigan State University, Purdue University and University of Hawaii**

*Phase 1:* Synthesis Workshop on Global Horticulture Challenges and Opportunities  
UC Davis, Oct, 2004

*Phase 2:* Regional Workshops and Survey  
Arusha, Tanzania, Feb, 2005  
Zamorano, Honduras, March, 2005  
Cairo, Egypt, April, 2005





AVRDC  
The World Vegetable Center



## Global Horticultural Assessment GHA

**Results:** eight primary issues, shared throughout the regions:

- Market systems
- Postharvest systems and food safety
- Genetic resources conservation and development
- Sustainable production systems and natural resources management
- Capacity building
- Enabling environment
- Gender equity
- Nutrition and human health

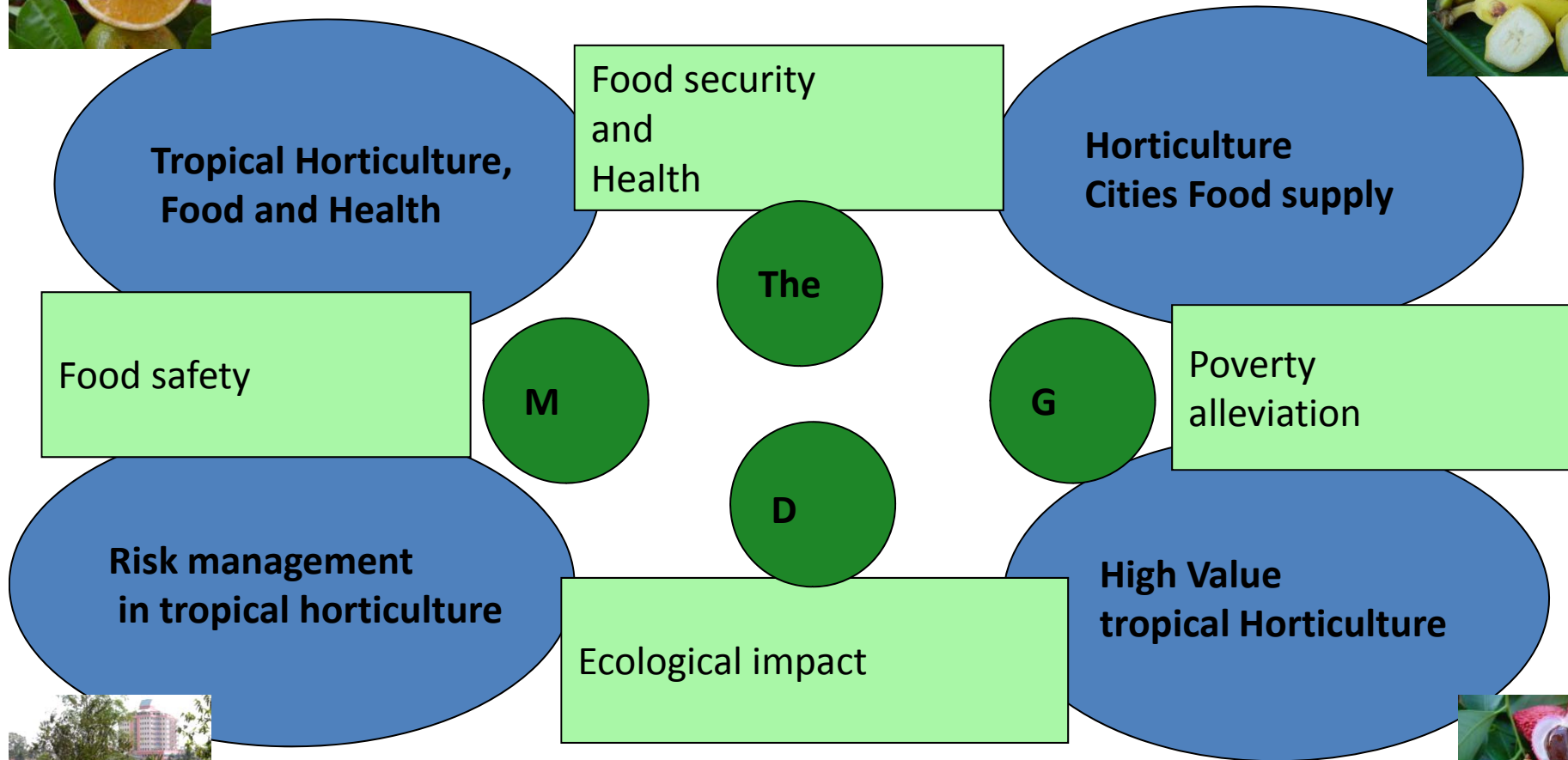


## **Fruits, vegetables and horticulture at CIRAD in 2006**

- **a clear and visible focus on horticultural crops**  
through its department FLHOR
- **an enhanced partnership with FAO and WHO**  
through the WHO-FAO Initiative « Fruits and Vegetable for Health »



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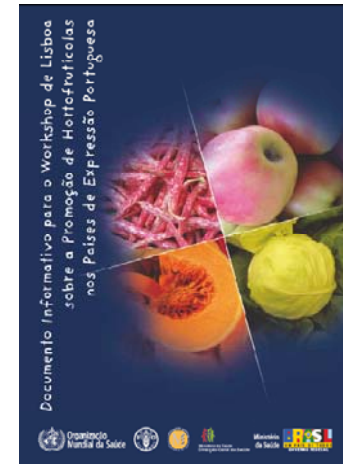


**World Health  
Organization**



## **The joint WHO/FAO Initiative**

### **WHO/FAO Expert Consultation, 2003 and Kobe meeting, 2004:**



- **Recognition of positive health effects of fruits and vegetables**
- **Low fruit and vegetable consumption is among the top 10 selected risk factors for global mortality**
- **But consumption far below the recommended 400g /day/cap in many DCs**
- **Worldwide 2.7 millions lives could be saved through better nutrition with F&V**



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## Joint WHO/FAO Initiative

Oct 2003 : Medical Congress on chronic diseases in Brazil

Oct 2004 : WHO-FAO meeting in Kobe – Japan

Sept 2005: Portuguese speaking countries workshop in Lisbon

Aug 2006: East Asian workshop in Seoul

Oct 2007 : Francophone Africa Workshop in Yaounde

Sept 2011 : Anglophone Africa Workshop in Arusha



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CGIAR: HVC

FAO - WHO

AVRDC  
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22 - 24 March 2006  
Montpellier

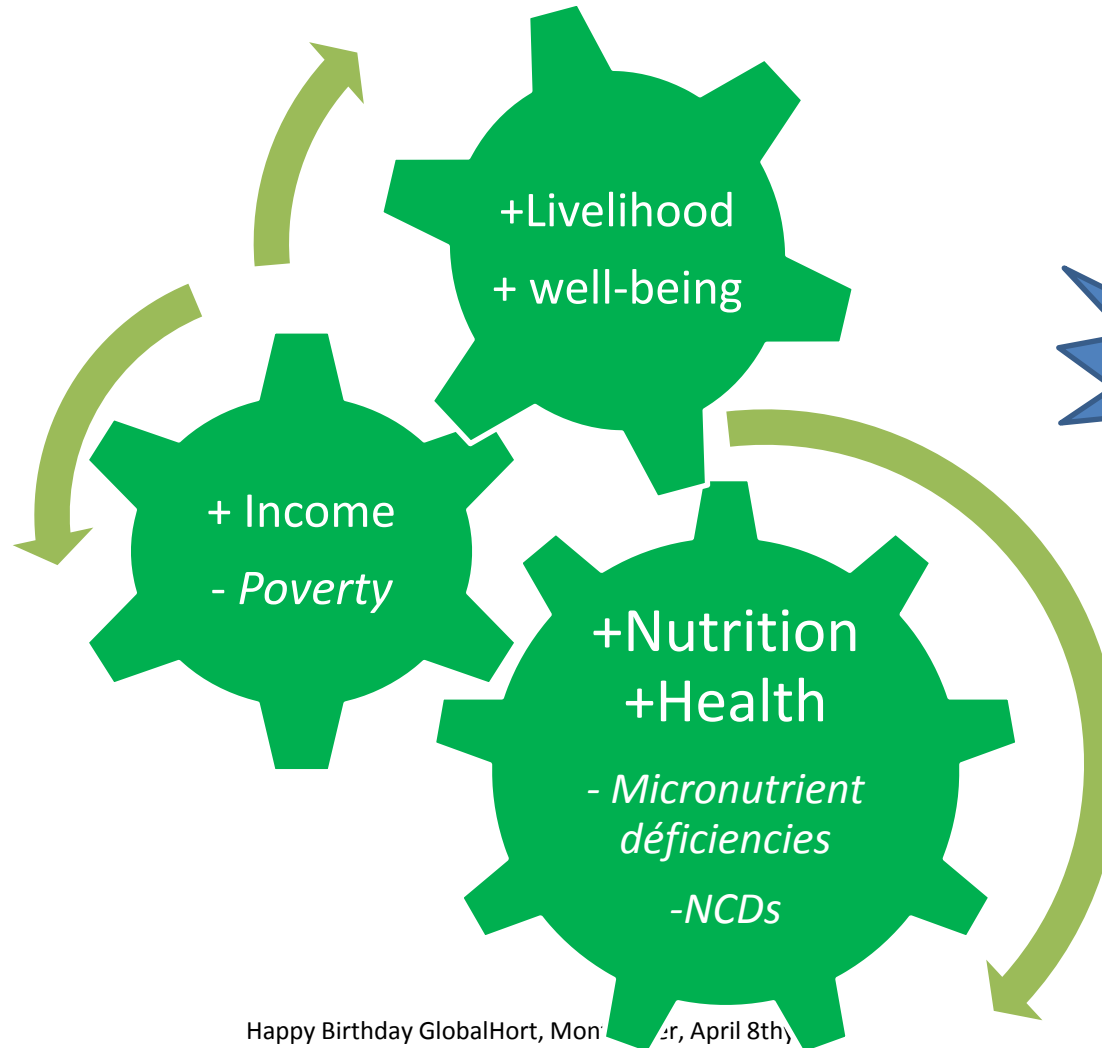
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# The Global Horticulture Initiative





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