GLOBE INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GIAC)

GIAC CHARTER

1.0 NAME AND PURPOSE

1.1 The GLOBE International Advisory Committee (GIAC) is an advisory body organized exclusively for the GLOBE Program. The purpose of this advisory body is to provide GLOBE Regional Consortia a formal mechanism for community input in the overall implementation, enhancement and sustainability of the GLOBE Program. The GIAC is established for advisory purposes and does not hold binding authority or fiduciary responsibility for activities of the GLOBE Program.

1.2 The GIAC will:

- Provide community input to the GLOBE Program Office on programmatic policies, activities, opportunities and priorities prior to approval by the GPO Board;
- Provide community input and assistance relating to the enhancement and sustainability of the GLOBE Program;
- Elevate community issues or concerns directly to the GPO Board as appropriate; and
- Report on and share information on GLOBE Program activities, opportunities and priorities of regional relevance, and disseminate information in the regions that they represent with the assistance of the GLOBE Regional Offices.

2.0 MEMBERSHIP

2.1 Membership on the Committee will consist of six regional representative members elected as in 2.2 below (or their alternate) plus the GLOBE Program Office Director.

Ex officio non-voting members include:
GPO Board members or representatives,
GLOBE Program Office Senior Management Team

2.2 Each GLOBE Regional Consortium will elect or appoint a regional representative member to the GIAC and one alternate representative. In the event that the designated member is unable to attend a GIAC meeting, the region will be represented by the alternate. The GLOBE Regional Consortium will notify the GIAC Chair when it is necessary to designate a new member to the GIAC. Membership terms will be for two years. At the request of the Region, a member may serve one additional 2-year term.

2.3 GIAC Regional representative members will be asked to sign a conflict of interest disclosure and statement of confidentiality in order to serve on the Committee.

3.0 MEETINGS

The GIAC will meet at least twice each year.
4.0 GIAC CHAIR

4.1 The Chairmanship of the GIAC will rotate among the members of the GIAC and will be for a term of 2 years. The Chair must have served as a member of the GIAC for a minimum of one year prior to appointment as Chair.

4.2 The duties of the Chair are to:

- Convene at least two Committee meetings each year and preside at each meeting.
- Develop the agenda for Committee meetings in consultation with GIAC members.
- Ensure that records of Committee meetings and GIAC membership are kept by the GPO.

4.3 The Chair may call on any member to act as Vice Chair in the Chair’s absence

5.0 OPERATIONS

5.1 The GLOBE Program Office will support the operations of the GIAC including travel arrangements of GIAC members and invited guests. GLOBE Regional Offices provide assistance to GIAC Members, and GIAC Members may provide input to the activities conducted by the Regional Offices.

6.0 AMENDMENTS

This charter will be reviewed by the members of the GIAC every three years or as required.

7.0 CERTIFICATION

This charter was approved at the first meeting of the GLOBE International Advisory Committee 29 July 2006, amended at the second meeting on 8 January 2007. It was reviewed and revised at the GIAC meeting held on 17 July 2011.

Signed,

Mark Brettany, Chair of GIAC.