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 <p data-bbox="155 552 483 608"><b>Patrick Caron</b> Member, CGIAR System Board</p>	<p data-bbox="607 220 1560 568"><b>Patrick Caron</b> has a deep understanding of the interface between science and policy, and leadership experience in steering, negotiating and forging alliances across groups with diverging views and perspectives. He is currently Vice President for International Affairs at the University of Montpellier, where he guides scientific and technical personnel across departments and faculties to consolidate the international ambitions of a university with 50,000 students and 5,000 staff. He is also International Director of the Montpellier University of Excellence, an alliance of 16 regional research and higher education organizations, Director of MAK'IT, the Montpellier Institute for Advanced Knowledge, and President of Agropolis International, a community with 42 member institutions. He was recently appointed as a member of the Scientific Group for the 2021 UN Food System Summit.</p> <p data-bbox="607 595 1544 810">He spent much of his earlier career with CIRAD, a French public institution active in agricultural research in over 100 countries, including six years as Director General for Research and Strategy. He served two terms as Chair of the High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition, the science-policy interface of the UN Committee on World Food Security. He holds a PhD in Geography, a master's in Food and Nutrition, a master's in Public Health and a doctorate in Veterinary Medicine. He is also a certified mediator.</p> <p data-bbox="607 837 1317 864">He was appointed to the CGIAR System Board in September 2020.</p>