

International Forum on Food Security, Food Sovereignty and Right to Food in Global Perspective

ICOFS 2015

Theme – Food Security, Food Sovereignty and Right to Food

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OBJECTIVE

Recent figures show that the majority of poor and food – insecure people still live in rural areas – with 70 % of them, directly or indirectly dependent on agriculture for their livelihood. Investing in the inclusive development of agricultural sector is one of the key areas of poverty reduction and food security. Agriculture trade and investment in developing countries substantively impacts living and working conditions of agriculture producers and landless workers on different levels either through the development of national and international product prices, working opportunities or through competition for similar production factors. Gaining a deeper understanding of the linkages between European agriculture trade and investment policy is crucial as well as raising public awareness and promoting the human rights on food perspective in university education.

The purpose of this forum is to stimulate research and to foster interaction of researchers in Food Security, Food Sovereignty and Right to Food in global perspective.

TOPICS OF INTEREST

- Global and local analyses of food security
- Global food trade and food security
- Sustainable intensification of food production systems
- Land scarcity, Land institutions, Land Markets and land grabbing
- Labelling, certification and quality assurance of food production
- Policies for local and global food security, food sovereignty and right to food
- Education and awareness of food sovereignty and right to food
- Agriculture and poverty reduction
- General Constraints to Agricultural production
- Impact of climate change to agricultural production

The forum will be held in English.

Supporting journals:

Journal of Regional Development ISSN: 1804-3305

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IMPORTANT DATES

- Registration on forum : January 30, 2015
- Forum date: February 5, 2015

CONFERENCE FEE

Presenting author of accepted paper	60 EUR / 1680 Kč
Day delegates without accepted paper	Price can be reduced

For the presenting authors of accepted papers:

The Forum fee includes the following - organization, publishing costs, rental of conference rooms and facilities, refreshments (lunch and coffee breaks).

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PRELIMINARY FORUM PROGRAM

Thursday, February 5, 2015

9:30 – 10:00 Registration of participants
10:00 Welcome
10:15 Background, motivation and aim of the day
10:25 Food security governance by Ing. Petr Blížkovský, Ph.D.
10:45 Open discussion
11:30 Lunch time
12:30 Raising public awareness and education
12:50 Lessons learned: Eco Fair Trade project
13:15 Open discussion
14:30 Closing remarks and get together

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