

Rural inequalities: evaluating approaches to overcome disparities

Rome, Italy. 2-3 May 2018

International Conference

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(Updated: 27 April, 2018)

DAY 1: Wednesday, 2 May 2018

8:00-9:00 Registration and coffee.

OPENING

9:00-9:30

Italian Room

WELCOME and OPENING ADDRESS

- Welcome remarks by **Oscar A. Garcia**, Director, Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (IOE).
- Opening address by **Cornelia Richter**, Vice-President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

PLENARY ADDRESSES: *What is needed to reduce rural inequality and how can we measure its achievement?*

9:30-10:30

Italian Room

Moderator: Paul Winters, Interim Associate Vice-President of the Strategy and Knowledge Department (SKD), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

- **Eko Putro Sandjojo**, Minister for Village, Transmigration and Disadvantaged Areas, Indonesia.
- **Martin Ravallion**, Professor of Economics, Georgetown University.

RESOURCES – *What resources need to be redistributed, to what extent and how?*

10:30-11:45

Italian Room

Session 1: Land – A primary inequality

Moderator: Harold Livingsage, Lead Land Tenure Specialist, IFAD.

- **Ricardo Fuentes**, Executive Director of Oxfam Mexico.

- **Michael Taylor**, Director, International Land Coalition Secretariat .
- **Ilaria Bottigliero**, Director of Research and Learning, International Development Law Organization
- **Violet Shivutse**, Chair of Huairou Commission's Governing Board from Kenya.

Oval Room

Session 2: Redistribution between urban and rural areas

Moderator: Pradeep Itty, Head, Quality Assurance and Poverty Reduction, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.

- **Rui Benfica**, Lead Economist, Research and Impact Assessment Division, SKD, IFAD.
- **Katsushi Imai**, Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor) in Development Economics, University of Manchester.
- **Shi Li**, Professor of Economics and Acting Director of China Institute for Income Distribution at Beijing Normal University and a Non-Resident Senior Research Fellow at UNU-WIDER.

11:45-13:00
Italian Room

Session 3: Wealth creation and agriculture as a business – What is needed to reach those "left behind" and do they benefit?

Moderator: Fabrizio Felloni, Deputy Director, IOE, IFAD

- **Máximo Torero**, Executive Director, World Bank. Inclusive value-chain development.
- **Pablo Fajnzylber**, Manager, Economic Management and Country Programs Unit, World Bank.
- **Haridas Fernando**, Group Manager- Agri Business Cargills Ceylon Plc. Sri Lanka.
- **Hugo Beteta**, Director, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)

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Session 4: Frameworks for understanding and measuring rural inequalities

Moderator: Torben Nilsson, Senior Global Engagement Specialist, Global Engagement and Multilateral Relations Division, IFAD.

- **Àlex Prats**, Inequality Lead , Oxfam Intermón.
- **Hazel Malapit**, Senior Research Coordinator, International Food Policy Research Institute.
- **Andrea Biswas Tortajada**, Sustainability Specialist, Nestlé.

13:00-14:30

Lunch

PLENARY ADDRESS: *How can we reduce rural inequalities? What actions are needed?*

14:30-15:30
Italian Room

Moderator: *Joanne Levitan, Communication Officer, IFAD.*

- Dr. Unni Karunakara, President of Médecins Sans Frontières Holland / Assistant Professor at Yale School of Public Health

RESILIENCE – *How to redistribute risk to eliminate the "double punishment" of the most vulnerable?*

15:30-16:45
Italian Room

Session 5: Inequalities in rural resilience

Moderator: **Olivier Cossée**, Senior Evaluation Officer, Office of Evaluation, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

- **Vidya Diwakar**, Senior Research Officer, Chronic Poverty and Research Centre, Overseas Development Institute.
- **Birte Snilstveit**, Senior Evaluation Specialist, International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3IE).
- **Cecilia Poggi**, Social Protection Economist, Research Officer, French Development Agency (AFD).

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Session 6: Do existing tools and climate assistance reach the most vulnerable?

Moderator: **Marta Bruno**, Knowledge Management and Evaluation Officer, Office of Evaluation, FAO.

- **Diana Alarcon**, Adjunct Academic Secretary, Colegio de la Frontera Norte, Mexico.
- **Jose Pineda**, Professor, Strategy and Business Economics Division, University of British Columbia.
- **Bidisha Barooah**, Evaluation Specialist, International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3IE).

16:45-18:00

Session 7: Measuring resilience and vulnerability

Moderator: **Simona Somma**, Evaluation Officer, IOE. IFAD.

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- **Lisandro Martin**, Director a.i., Operational Policy and Results Division (OPR) and Sustainable Production, Markets and Institutions Division (PMI), IFAD.
- **Marco d'Errico**, Economist, Reducing Rural Poverty, FAO.
- **Pablo Arnal**, Resilience and Outcome Measurement Officer, World Food Programme (WFP).

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Session 8: Mitigating risk for the "last mile"

Moderator: **Michael Hamp**, Lead Technical Specialist - Inclusive Rural Financial Services, PMI, IFAD.

- **Massimo Giovanola**, Technical Specialist - Agriculture Risk Management, PMI, IFAD.
- **Federica Carfagna**, Acting Director of the Research and Development department of the African Risk Capacity
- **Francesco Rispoli**, Senior Technical Specialist - Inclusive Rural Financial Services, PMI, IFAD.

18:00

Reception for all participants hosted by IOE.

DAY 2: Thursday, 3 May 2018

8:30

Coffee

PLENARY ADDRESS: *Can a historically-plausible reduction of inequality eradicate rural poverty by 2030?*

9:00-10:00
Italian Room

Moderator: **Benjamin Davis**, Leader of the Strategic Programme to Reduce Rural Poverty, FAO.

- **Giovanni Andrea Cornia**, Professor of Development Economics, University of Florence.

RELATIONSHIPS - *How can relationships be rebalanced so that those "left behind" count, are recognized, and have voice?*

10:00-11:15
Italian Room

Session 9: Poverty targeting approaches and findings

Moderator: **Edward Heinemann**, Lead Technical Specialist - Policy, Programme Management Department, IFAD.

- **Benjamin Davis**, Leader of the Strategic Programme to Reduce Rural Poverty, FAO.
- **Chitra Deshpande**, Senior Evaluation Officer, IOE, IFAD.
- **Michael Grimm**, Professor of Development Economics at the University of Passau.
- **Estrella Penunia**, Secretary-General, Asian Farmers' Association for Sustainable Rural Development.

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Session 10: Who counts? Measuring and evaluating horizontal and

vertical inequalities

Moderator: **Hansdeep Khaira**, Evaluation Officer, IOE, IFAD

- **Espen Beer Prydz**, Economist, Development Data Group of the World Bank.
- **Piero Conforti**, Deputy Director a.i., Statistics Division, FAO.
- **Alessandra Garbero**, Senior Econometrician, Research and Impact Assessment Division (RIA), SKD, IFAD.

11:15-12:30
Executive Dining
Room

Session 11: Demographic challenge and rural livelihoods

Moderator: **Fumiko Nakai**, Senior Evaluation Officer, IOE, IFAD.

- **Natalia Winder Rossi**, Senior Social Protection Officer, Social Protection Team Leader, FAO.
- **Marielle Pepin-Lehalleur**, Anthropologist, Retired Researcher, Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS) France
- **Raghav Gaiha**, Professor Emeritus – Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNE)

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Session 12: Rural employment – A pathway to prosperity or furthering inequalities

Moderator: **Rui Benefica**, Lead Economist in the Research and Impact Assessment Division, SKD, IFAD.

- **Joao Pedro Azevedo**, Lead Economist, Poverty and Equity Global Practice, World Bank.
- **María Teresa Gutiérrez**, Technical Specialist on Employment Intensive Investment Programme (EIIP), International Labour Organisation (ILO).
- **Rita Kimani**, Chief Executive Officer and Co-founder, FarmDrive, Republic of Kenya.

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Session 13: Inequality and power relations within households

Moderator: **Lauren Phillips**, Senior Technical Advisor to the Associate Vice President, Programme Management Department, IFAD.

- **Dominique van de Walle**, Lead Economist, Development Research Group, World Bank.
- **Cathy Farnworth**, Independent consultant, Pandia Consulting.
- **Pontian Muhwezi**, Uganda Country Programme Officer, East and Southern Africa Division, IFAD.

12:30-13:30

LUNCH

RIGHTS – How can policies, laws and rights serve as a remedy and means of institutionalizing equality?

13:30-14:15
Oval Room

Session 14: Rights-based approaches to redress inequalities

Moderator: **Michael Carbon**, Senior Evaluation Officer, IOE, IFAD.

- **Jérémie Gilbert**, Professor of Human Rights Law at the University of Roehampton, United Kingdom.
- **Kanyinke Sena**, Director, Indigenous Peoples of Africa Coordinating Committee, Republic of Kenya
- **Ariane Genthon**, Child Labor Expert, FAO.

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Session 15: Measuring and evaluating policy impact

Moderator: **Fabrizio Bresciani**, Regional Economist, Asia and the Pacific Division, IFAD.

- **Papa Seck**, Chief Statistician, UN Women.
- **Samantha Custer**, Director of Policy Analysis, AidData, College of William and Mary.
- **Oswaldo Feinstein**, Professor at the Evaluation Master at the Complutense University of Madrid.

14:15-14:45

Coffee Break

PLENARY PANEL: Going beyond rights to reduce inequalities

14:45-16:15

Moderator: **Ronald Thomas Hartman**, Country Director – Indonesia, Asia and the Pacific Division, IFAD

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- **Fay Fay Choo**, Asia Director for Cocoa Sustainable Sourcing for Mars Incorporated.
- **Katia Maia**, Executive Director, Oxfam Brazil
- **Rishikanta Sharma Aribam**, Campaigning Coordinator, Mahatma Gandhi Seva Ashram (MGSA) / Ekta Parishad.

CLOSING SESSION

PLENARY PANEL: What are the implications for evaluation?

16:15-17:15

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Moderator: **Pablo Fajnzylber**, Manager, Economic Management and Country Programs Unit, World Bank.

- **Andrea Cook**, Director, Office of Evaluation, WFP.
- **Oscar Garcia**, Director, IOE, IFAD.
- **Masahiro Igarashi**, Director, Office of Evaluation, FAO.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

17:15-17:30

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- **Oscar A. Garcia**, Director, IOE, IFAD.

End of conference