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International Encounters « FAMILY FARMING AND RESEARCH »

Montpellier, June 1-3 2014

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There are over 500 million family farms spread across the world, on all continents. Family farmers are the main producers of foodstuffs in many regions and vitally contribute to the variety and quality of diets. Paradoxically, many family farmers are also food and nutrition insecure.

Governments have recognized the contemporary and persisting importance of family farming. The United Nations declared 2014 the International Year of Family Farming (IYFF). The research institutions of Montpellier's hub (Agropolis International) have therefore taken the initiative to organize International Encounters on "Family Farmers and Research", with the support of the French ministries of agriculture and foreign affairs and various national and international organizations (CGIAR Consortium, Global Forum on Agricultural Research - GFAR, World Rural Forum – WRF - IYFF 2014 civil society coordinator).

The International Encounters will share current information and analysis on the state and trends of family farming, to inform decision and policy makers and the wider public. The event will contribute to identifying the required commitments and launching the collective actions necessary for family farmers to remain economically and socially viable, to sustain the environment, and contribute to food and nutrition security. This will be a major opportunity for family farmers themselves to voice their priorities and expectations of the research community at global, regional and national level.

This event will be formalized into a "Global Agenda for Research". It will feed the agenda of IYFF and its conclusions will be presented at the end of 2014, it will help prepare the third Global Conference on Agricultural Research for Development (GCARD3), and contribute with ideas and recommendations to the Conference of Parties at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP21) to be held in Paris in 2015.

The Encounters will build dialogue, exchange information and stimulate ideas on joint work among representatives of family farmers, the public civil and private sectors, trainers and research from around the world. The aim is to enhance innovation and research in development agendas dealing with family farming and the multiple challenges arising with local, regional and global changes (in society, economics, food security, urbanization, human mobility and migrations, food and health, climate, ...).

AN EVENT IN TWO STAGES

- **A public debate.** A lecture will be given by Hans R. Herren, former Director General of ICIPE and co-chair of the International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development (IAASTD), and current president of the Millennium Institute. Hans Herren was awarded the 1995 World Food Prize and the 2013 Right Livelihood Award. This lecture will be followed by a round table gathering high level experts and actors in family farming.
- **A 2-day Conference.** Researchers, trainers, decision makers, representatives of family farmers and of civil society organizations will brainstorm and discuss on research needs and priorities about family farming, and on research modalities for higher efficiency. The Conference will include thematic working sessions

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and plenary sessions inviting high level speakers from major institutions, renowned scientists and acknowledged leaders of farmers' organizations.

Discussion themes:

- How global change impact on family farming and its various evolutions?
- How family farming can contribute to the global challenges facing society, economy, environment and food security?
- How scientific research and development action can support family farming in facing these challenges?

WHY MONTPELLIER?

Montpellier is a hub for international agricultural research, endowed with numerous, dynamic research institutions in agriculture, food-processing and rural development, of high scientific quality and with strong international influence. The city has hosted since 2011 the CGIAR Consortium, whose new headquarters will be officially inaugurated on June 2nd, 2014.

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PROGRAMME

DIMANCHE JUNE 1ST, 2014 (*Le Corum - Joffre area, level 1*)

15.00-19.30 Registration for invited participants

16.00-18.00 Meeting for workshop chairs & co-chairs

PUBLIC DEBATE

DIMANCHE JUNE 1ST, 2014 (*Le Corum, Pasteur Auditorium*)

19.30 Invited speaker: **Hans R. Herren**, President, *Millennium Institute (World Food Prize, Right Livelihood Award)*, Switzerland) – What research for what agriculture?

20.15 Round table with:

- a farmer leader:
 - **Fatma Ben Rejeb**, Secretary general, Union Maghrébine des Agriculteurs – UMAGRI, Tunisia
- a scientific leader:
 - **Patrick Caron**, Director General in charge of Research and Strategy, Cirad, France
- two NGO leaders:
 - **Maryam Rahmanian**, Vice-Chair, Steering Committee of the High Level Panel of Experts for Food Security and Nutrition of the Committee on World Food Security, Iran
 - **Kees Blokland**, Director, Agriterra, the Netherlands
- two policy leaders:
 - **Ibrahim A. Mayaki**, CEO, New Partnership for Africa's Development - NEPAD, Niger
 - **Caio Galvão de França**, Chief of Staff, Ministry of Agrarian Development, IYFF coordinator in Brazil

Moderator: **Damien Conaré**, Secretary general, UNESCO Chair "World Food Systems", Montpellier

21.10 Discussion with the audience

- Language: French and English (with simultaneous translation)
- Audience: scientific community of Agropolis, participants in the conference on June 2nd and 3rd, interested public

21.30 End of the public debate

CONFERENCE

MONDAY JUNE 2ND, 2014 (*Le Corum*)

08.30 Registration for invited participants

PUBLIC SESSION

09.00-13.00 **Opening Session** - Chair: **Marcela Villarreal**, FAO Coordinator of IYFF 2014 (*Pasteur Auditorium*)

09.05 Introduction: **Sir Gordon Conway**, Professor, Imperial College London - Sustainable Family Farming: Is it Viable? Is it Resilient?

9.30 Welcome address:

- Scientific community: **Bernard Hubert**, Chair, Agropolis International
- Regional Council: **Christian Bourquin**, President, *Région Languedoc-Roussillon*
- CGIAR: **Carlos Pérez del Castillo**, Consortium Board Chair
- France: **Stéphane Le Foll**, Minister of Agriculture, Agri-food and Forest

10.30 Break

11.00 International opening:

- France: **Anne-Marie Descôtes**, Director General for Globalization, Development and Partnerships, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Development
- World Rural Forum: **Esther Penunia**, Secretary general, Asian Farmer Association for Sustainable Rural Development
- World Farmers' Organisation: **Daniel Gad**, Managing Director, Omega Farms
- *La Via Campesina*: **Yudhvir Singh**, leader Bhartiya Kisan Union
- FAO: **José Graziano da Silva**, Director General, represented by **Marcela Villarreal**
- European Commission: **Monique Pariat**, Deputy director-general in the Agriculture and Rural Development Directorate-General
- IFAD: **Kanayo F. Nwanze**, President
- **Papa A. Seck**, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Equipment, Senegal

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13.00 Lunch break (*Salon Central, level 3*)

14.00 Workshops - 1st part (*Joffre area, level 1*)

16.00 Departure to Agropolis campus for the inauguration ceremony of the new CGIAR Consortium headquarters (*by bus, level 0*)

18.30 Cocktail buffet at Agropolis campus

From 20.00 Return to hotels (*drop-off Place de l'Europe, Antigone quarter and St Roch train station downtown*)

TUESDAY JUNE 3RD, 2014 (*Le Corum*)

FOR INVITED PARTICIPANTS ONLY

08.15 Session on farming futures: Contribution of research to family farming (*Pasteur Auditorium*):

- Perspectives offered by the study « Investing in smallholder agriculture for food security » (June 2013) of the High Level Panel of Experts for Food Security and Nutrition of the Committee on World Food Security, **Marion Guillou**, Chair of Agreenium, CGIAR Consortium Board member, member of the HLPE Steering Committee
- What could agricultural research do for family farmers? Indications from an exploration of plausible futures, **Robin Bourgeois**, Senior expert on Foresight and Development policies, GFAR

09.00 Reporting on the previous day's workshop sessions (*Pasteur Auditorium*)

10.00 Workshops - 2nd part (*Joffre area, level 1*)

12.30 Lunch break (*Salon Central, level 3*)

PUBLIC SESSION

14.00-18.00 **Closing Conference** – Chair: **José Osaba**, WRF, Civil Society Coordinator of the IYFF 2014 (*Pasteur Audit.*)

14.00 Conference outputs:

- Reporting by each group chair and questions
- Highlights: *A global Agenda for Research*: **Pierre Fabre**, scientific Director, Cirad, on behalf of Agropolis International
- View from farmers' perspectives: **Ibrahim Coulibaly**, FAO Ambassador for IYFF 2014

16.00 Break

16.30 Next steps on the global agenda:

- Contribution towards the GCARD3 in 2015: **Mark Holderness**, GFAR Executive Secretary
- Contribution towards the CoP-Climate 2015: **Laurence Tubiana**, AFD Chair, IDDRI General Director, Co-Chair of the Executive Committee of the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) of the UN

17.00 Closing session - Contribution to the IYFF 2014:

- **Henri Rouillé d'Orfeuil**, French coordinator of IYFF 2014
- **Lupino Lazaro**, deputy representative of the Philippines at the Embassy in Rome

WORKSHOPS

1. **Family farming in the territories:** What are the present developments on land tenure, and what are the options on land tenure management? Which trade-offs, which complementarities and synergies/tensions and conflicts do exist between the various production systems? What are the linkages and articulations with the other uses of space, economic or residential or landscaping ones? What contribution offers family farming to organize space scaling-up from the farm to watershed, landscape or industrial agro-food basin?
2. **Family farming facing the challenges of agro-ecological intensification:** in a context of an increasing scarcity of natural resources and facing the energetic challenge, which technologies for producing, protecting, processing agricultural food are offered to family farming? Which systems for training and accompanying family farmers? What types of credit to stimulate the agro-ecological transition of family farmers? What kind of productions specialized or associated considering crops, livestock, aquaculture to be developed in order to involve family farming as contributors to global food security?
3. **In-house issues within family farming:** which organization forms for agricultural activities? Family solidarity and public solidarity, family farming functions as a safety net: how to highlight this function? Which role for women, what is the future of the youth in the organization of family farms? What are the cross-generation transmissions? Which new family forms emerge from increasing mobility of people?
4. **Family farming facing the challenges of urbanization and employment:** what new markets do the cities represent for agriculture tomorrow? Which relationship between family farming and these new markets? What will be the jobs in agriculture and which part of pluri-activity? Which role for family farming in the rural-urban continuum? Which models of economic development between increasing agriculture wealth and alternatives to agriculture?
5. **Family farming facing the challenges of climate change:** what space and which roles for a smart agriculture facing the climate issues? How to integrate the landscape scale in the various individual strategies? How resilience approaches can mobilize positive transformational change in places where these global issues 'land on the ground' and at a pace that can keep up with a rapidly changing world?
6. **Contribution of family farming to the food systems:** towards what sustainable and accountable food systems? What answers to the stakes in food and nutritional security at the local and global levels? How to ensure food and nutritional safety of the urban populations? Which articulation between agricultural and social policies?
7. **Family farming as one of the players in the future of agriculture:** what objects and methods to report on family farming? What can be the conditions of a co-existence between various forms of farming (smallholders, commercial farms, enterprises, big companies ...) on the same territories or within the same value chains? Is the 'farming system' approach more accurate to take into account interactions and interdependences both within farming units and in their connections with their economic, social and natural environment?

WORKSHOP CHAIRS

1. **Karen Brooks**, Director, CGIAR Programme 'Policies, institutions and Markets', USA
2. **Mohamed Ait-Kadi**, CGIAR Consortium Board member, Morocco
3. **Prasad Komaravolu**, Executive Director, AME Foundation, India
4. **Bruno Losch**, Economist, Cirad, France
5. **Louise Jackson**, Professor, University of California Davis, USA
6. **Renato Maluf**, Professor, Federal rural university of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
7. **Maryam Rahmanian**, Vice-Chair, HLPE, Iran

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SIDE EVENTS

June 3-5: Foresight Exchange Workshop for Agriculture and Rural Development (upon invitation)

Venue: St Charles Campus, University Paul Valéry, Montpellier

Objective: To foster further foresight exchanges on the future stakes for agriculture and rural development, with the members of the Forward Thinking Platform supported by the Global Forum on Agricultural research (GFAR) and Agropolis Fondation.

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June 4-6: Seminar "Accompagner l'insertion des jeunes dans l'agriculture familiale des Pays les moins avancés (PMA)" (in French)

Venue: Institute for Higher Education in Tropical Agri-food Industry & Rural Development/Montpellier SupAgro

Objective: To contribute to the strategic thinking to support the integration of young people in family farming and to identify the key actions for development, research and training.

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June 4: Seminar "Research, development and innovation for family farming in the South : Argentina and Brazil as examples"

Venue: Agropolis International, Montpellier

Objective: Discuss the situation of Family Farming (AF) in Brazil and Argentina, share the actions performed by our institutions and consider future lines of research cooperation between our countries and the French research institutions.

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June 5: "Family farming of the world: regional perspectives"

Venue: St Charles Campus, University Paul Valéry (room N°4), Montpellier

Objective: conferences and exchanges around statements and stakes of family farming in Brazil, around the Mediterranean sea, in Eastern Europe, in India and in West Africa.

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