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Ninth International Dialogue on Water in Agriculture "Public-Private Partnerships in irrigation: experiences, benefits and risks"

June 1-2, 2016, in Bonn / Germany

This year, the Dialogue on Water which has a 20-years long tradition as a platform where science meets practitioners, is jointly organized by the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

Public-private partnerships (PPP) in irrigation are perceived by some as a promising option for overcoming under-investment in water infrastructure and for improving irrigation services thus contributing to increased yields and farm income. At the International Dialogue on Water in Agriculture we will discuss whether these objectives are achieved and whether PPPs operate sustainably in relation to the utilization of natural resources.

The International Dialogue aims to come up with a framework for analyzing / assessing the sustainability of PPPs in irrigation, based on a critical review of experiences with PPPs regarding their benefits and risks related to their local socio-economic and environmental impacts.

Based on a review of the diversity of PPP designs and entry points for the private sector, the Dialogue is interested in how planning of PPPs takes social (e.g. land tenure) and ecological conditions into account. What is the rationale of linking PPPs in irrigation to specific agricultural business models and their impacts? How are financial risks addressed? Are the PPPs embedded in an overall development strategy for the agricultural sector? What is the overall institutional arrangement that shapes the inter-actions between investors, farmers and public agencies? How is water management in the diverse PPP models organized? Finally, how do these issues influence the successful materialization of such projects?

We are looking forward to welcoming you at our workshop.

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Program

June 1				
9:00	Registration and coffee			
10:00	Welcome address	Christina Seeberg-Elverfeldt, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development		
	Key note	The organizers		
	Comparing PPP and traditional approaches in irrigation projects, lessons from Morocco and Sub-Sahara Africa	Hassan Benabderrazik, Former Secretary General of the Moroccan Ministry of Agriculture, consultant on PPPs in irrigation		
	Irrigated agriculture in Sub-Sahara Africa	Mawira Chitima, IFAD		
	Discussion			
12:00	Lunch			
13:00	Session 1: Linking irrigation manage- ment to agricultural business models: benefits and risks in Sub-Sahara Africa (I)			
	PPP irrigation models under implementation in Zambia: how inclusive are they?	Imasiku Nyambe, University of Zambia, and George Phiri, Ministry of Agriculture		
	Public-Private Partnership (PPP) for Irrigation Services Provision: Shire Valley Irrigation Project (SVIP) in Malawi	Chawanangwa Jana, Deputy Director of Irrigation Services, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Water Development		
	Discussion			
14:30	Coffee break			
15:00	Session 2: Linking irrigation manage- ment to agricultural business models: benefits and risks in Sub-Sahara Africa (II)			
	PPPs in irrigation: framework and insights from Ghana and Tanzania	Ruth Meinzen-Dick, IFPRI, Coordinator of the CGIAR program on Collective Action and Property Rights (CAPRi).		
	Sweet deals or land/water grabs? Who benefits from partnerships between sugar companies & smallholder outgrowers in Mozambique, Malawi and Tanzania?	Alex Bolding, Water Resources Management Group, Wageningen University/ The Netherlands		
16.00	Discussion			
16:00	End of the first day Joint Dinner			

June 2			
9:00	Welcome to the 2 nd day		
	Session 3: Benefits and risks of PPPs		
	in a context of irrigation tradition:		
	experiences from the Mediterranean		
	West Nile Delta irrigation project Egypt: a demand-driven PPP	Mohamed Safwat Youssef Abdel-Dayem Eid, Prof. em., National Water Research Center, Egypt	
	El Guerdane project Morocco: environ- mental and socio-economic risks	Annabelle Houdret, German Development Institute, and Rebecca Heinz, Dpt. of Geography, University of Bonn	
	Discussion		
10:00	Coffee break		
10:30	PPP models for modern irrigation schemes in Spain	Ramon Másip, Director of MENA Dpt. at AQUALOGY(SUEZ)	
	French experiences with semi-public companies in irrigation management	Florence Malerbe, Société Canal de Provence (SCP), Agriculture and Water Management Unit	
	Discussion		
11:30	Session 4: Assessing and addressing financial issues		
	Public-private partnerships in the irrigation sector - the Indian experience	Harish Kumar Varma, exec. director of the International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage, India (formerly ADB)	
	Addressing financial risks in the Lower Lusuthu Smallholder Irrigation Project, Swaziland	Samson Sithole, Lower Lusuthu Smallholder Irrigation Project Swaziland, Project Manager	
	Discussion		
12:30	Lunch		
13:45	Risk assessment of PPPs in irrigation: the new toolkit of the World Bank	Michael Brüntrup (DIE)	
	Discussion		
14:15	Public-private partnerships: an opportunity with risks? Panel discussion & open debate	Joerg Dux (KfW Entwicklungsbank), N.N. (The World Bank, tbc), Mawira Chitima (IFAD), Florence Malerbe (Société Canal de Provence), Waltina Scheumann (DIE), George Phiri (Ministry of Agriculture, Zambia)	
15:30	Concluding remarks / theses		
	Discussion		
16:00	End of the workshop		

June 3		
	09:30 Follow up meeting to discuss a joint publication/ further cooperation	
	After: possibility of a tourist visit to the city of Bonn	