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Workshop on Water and Soil Management in Dryland Agriculture

July 3-4, 2017, Yangling, China

Institute of Water Saving Agriculture in Arid Areas of China, Northwest A & F University (NWAUFU) is going to host the workshop about water and soil management in dryland agriculture and transformative role of rural advisor services in China from 3-4 July 2017.

NWAUFU organizes the workshop to promote knowledge learning and sharing about agricultural innovation and rural advisory services, especially in the dryland area where agricultural resilience faces great challenges. In addition, NWAUFU is enhancing regional collaborations by networking with a variety of international institutions for capacity building and impact delivery.

Our central objective is to, through the workshop, brainstorm and identify key issues about **soil salinization and agr water management** in Uzbekistan so that we can further develop towards projects for interventions. At the workshop in Yangling, we also invite scientists from a broad range of institutions (such as China agricultural University, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, etc) to share and communicate. As we anticipate intervention projects (such as demonstration or investment), it is crucial to identify the primary constraints and solutions. As it is difficult to work on all the issues given resource constraints through a nascent project, it is highly important that our proposed projects suit with local context and the Chinese side has the capacity.

One of the key issues of the workshop on July 3 is to discuss the funding opportunity, both locally and regionally. At the Chinese end, my colleagues and I have studied the local opportunities and invite some possible funding institutions to attend the workshop. Although I invite FAO and IFAD to attend the workshop, they represent the local office and might be distant from global knowledge and network. Therefore, it would be helpful if you also study on these issues from global and regional perspectives as well.

Given the indicated objective, it is helpful and efficient for all of us to start to engage in the topics and to communicate on the structure the application materials even before the workshop. As the future projects cover a relatively broader issues that related to soil salinization and agricultural water management (and each of us may happen to be an expert in one or two specific fields), we shall see ourselves as “knowledge coordinators” as well. This means that we may want to network with individuals who have expertise in the related fields and incorporate their knowledge in the presentation of the workshop.



Agenda

(Northwest A & F University, Yangling, China, July 3-4, 2017)

Date	Project	Description	Venue
July 2 th	Reception	19:00: Reception dinner	
July 3 rd	<i>Soil salinization and water management in Central Asia</i>	Opening (Pute WU)	
		<i>“Dryland agriculture: Global and regional perspectives” (RAM CHANDRA SHARMA)</i>	
		(AKMAL AKRAMKHANOV)	
		<i>“ICARDA’s Experience Managing Salinity in West Asia and North Africa Region”(VINAY NANGIA)</i>	
		<i>“Evidence-based solutions for a water-secure world: Partnership to address key issues in agricultural water management between Central Asia and China”. (OYTURE ANARBEKOV)</i>	
		Coffee break	
	<i>Soil salinization and water management in China</i>	Dryland agriculture in China: National perspectives and issues	
		Speaker from China 1	
		Speaker from China 2	
		Speaker from China 3	
		Speaker from China 4	
		Speaker from China 5	
		Speaker from China 6	
	Lunch		
	<i>Agricultural innovation in transitional economies: Knowledge, extension and private sector</i>	Rural advisory services in transition: The emerging role of partnering with private sector (KARIM HUSSEIN)	
<i>Developing extension capabilities abroad: Korean’s experience in Africa (SONG YONG-SUP)</i>			
Networking and professionalizing extension services and knowledge management in the Philippines and abroad (VIRGINIA R. CARDENAS)			
Agricultural extension services through universities: Practices from Northwest A & F University			
	Coffee break		



	<i>Roundtable</i>		Issues for future projects: research, actions, and/or advisory?	
			Funding opportunities: within and outside China?	
			Networking and partnering?	
Reception Dinner				
July 4 th	Field work			

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