

# **AGEP Developmental Debates:**

# Natural resource based rural development in Africa: Problems and best practice cases

The workshop is screened on the website of the institute: <a href="www.gsi-bonn.de">www.gsi-bonn.de</a>. Please register via e-mail to Ms. Cordula Benfarji (c.benfarji@gsi-bonn.de).

# 04. - 06.09.2017 in Bonn

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### Specific objectives of the workshop

The situation in Africa is characterized by a relatively high increase of the GDP in many countries and a strong contribution of natural resources to national development. This led to resource depletion with severe ecosystem destruction related to soils, climate, vegetation cover, resulting in decreasing land productivity. People are pushed out of rural areas, increasing migration and unsustainable resource use are interrelated, which have negative effects on rural development. Basic transformations are necessary from a destructive resource use to sustainable land management, rooted in value addition to natural resources, improvement of commercialization and markets as well as improvement of livelihood systems and subsistence production. In the first part of the workshop, a diagnosis is planned in which the situation in Africa is documented with its development potentials, including negative trends and causalities.

In the second part of the workshop, the participants in collaboration with the supervisors look for successful cases of natural resource based rural development stories in Africa. Cases may be related to primary production as well as to value added strategies. The "success stories" will be documented in the final wrap-up of the third part as base for discussion and scenarios for future development initiatives, which should evolve out of this innovative concept.

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#### Monday, 4th of September 2017 until 14.00 Arrival of the participants and Welcome with coffee & tea 14.00-14.30 Introduction into the workshop Explanation of the methodological approach, short tour of introductions and expectations by the participants Dr. Meik Nowak, GSI Bonn Robin Pass, AGEP Network Coordinator 14.30-15.15 **Introduction: Breakthrough Groups** Explanation of the individual diagnosis tools and set-up of potential cases (1) 15.15-16.45 Input Session I - Forest Management in sub-Saharan Africa Prof. Dr. Jürgen Pretzsch, Director of the Institute of International Forestry and Forest (2) Products, TU Dresden 16.45-17.15 **Coffee Break** 17.15-18.45 Input Session II – Examples of technical cooperation in Africa (GIZ) Klaus Ackermann (Land development sector project of GIZ)/ Jan Bock (Forest department of (2) GIZ) 18.45 Dinner 20.00-21.30 **Workshop Phase I in the respective Breakthrough Groups** (2) Reflections and considerations of the input lectures are translated into cases in small

working groups, using Storyboarding and other collaboartive techniques



# Tuesday, 5th of September 2017

9.30-11.00 Input Session III – The role of Horticulture in adressing the SDGs
(2) Dr. Dagmar Kunze, MSC HORT, Leibniz University of Hannover

11.00-12.30 Workshop Phase II in Breakthrough Groups

(2) Reflections and considerations of the input lectures are translated into cases in small

working groups, using Storyboarding and other collaborative techniques

12.30 Lunch

13.30-15.00 Input Session IV – The importance of water resources management

(2) Dr.-Ing. Jörg Dietrich, WATENV, Leibniz University of Hannover, Institute of Hydrology and

Water Resources Management

15.00-15.30 Coffee Beak

15.30-18.30 Workshop Phase III in Breakthrough Groups

(4) Reflections and considerations of the input lectures are translated into cases in small

working groups, using Storyboarding and other collaborative techniques

18.30 Dinner

## Wednesday, 6th of September 2017

9.30-10.00 **Workshop Phase IV in Breakthrough Groups** (2) Reflections and considerations of the input lectures are translated into cases in small working groups, using Storyboarding and other collaborative techniques 10.30-12.00 Workshop Phase V in Breakthrough Groups (2) Reflections and considerations of the input lectures are translated into cases in small working groups, using Storyboarding and other collaborative techniques 12.00 Lunch 13.00-14.30 Transfer of the results of the Breakthrough Groups Presentation of potential "success stories" identified by the participants (2) 14.30-15.30 Final Plenary Session – the challenges of natural resource based rural development (1) Panel Discussion with delegates from the working groups and the Input lecturers

15.30-16.15 Wrap-Up, Feedback Round and next steps

(1) Dr. Meik Nowak, GSI Bonn

afterwards End of the workshop and departure of the participants

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Attendance Fee: The workshop attendance fee is **95,00 € p.P.** (55,00 € for participants who do not sleep in the GSI and

therefore have also no breakfast included). The fee covers the cost of the programme, accommodation in double rooms (The Institute has a three star superior hotel quality) and meals (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

and Coffe & Tea Breaks).

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