

12th University Meets Microfinance Workshop of the e-MFP Action Group "University Meets Microfinance"

Enhancing Food Security and Resilience to Climate Change: What Role for Microfinance?

hosted by the University of Bergamo & the Research Center on International Cooperation

June 11th - 12th 2015

Thursday, June 11th 2015

| Time | Draft Program |
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| 13:45 - 14:15 | Registration |

14:15 - 16:15 Welcome and Plenary

Chancellor/Vice Chancellor, University of Bergamo Laura Viganò, University of Bergamo and Research Center on International Cooperation Audrey Negui, University Meets Microfinance and PlaNet Finance

Introduction to Food Security, Climate Change and the role of Microfinance

- Mastrojeni Grammenos, Italian Development Cooperation
- Emily Coleman, IFAD-WFP Weather Risk Management Facility

16:15 - 16:30 Coffee break

16:30 - 17:45 Parallel Presentations and Open Discussion

Panel A Enhancing food security through microfinance

- Nourou Macki Tall, Resilience Operations Team, FAO Regional office for Africa
- Matteo Cortese, Comunità Impegno Servizio Volontariato (CISV) Burkina Faso
- Kambou Félicité, Coopérative de prestation de services agricoles (COPSA-C)

Panel B Microfinance and adaptation to Climate Change

- Alicia Rondon- Krummheurer, Frankfurt School, FS-UNEP Collaborating Centre for Climate
 & Sustainable Energy Finance
- Davide Forcella, CERMI

17.45 – 19.00 **Plenary Session**

The role of investors and donors in promoting microfinance initiatives in the climate change and food insecurity context

- ResponsaAbility (tbc)
- Davide Libralesso, Etimos Foundation
- Emily Coleman, IFAD-WFP Weather Risk Management Facility
- Amath Pathe Sene, UNDP World Centre for Sustainable Development

19:00 Cocktail



















Friday, June 12th 2015

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| 09:00 - 09:30 | Registration |
| 09:30 - 09.45 | Welcome |

Azalea Carisch, University Meets Microfinance and PlaNet Finance

09.45 – 11.15 **Plenary Session 1**

Weather Microinsurance - Part 1

- Benjamin Collier, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania
- Simtowe Franklin, International Livestock Research Institute
- Sophie Romana, Oxfam America R4 Program

11:15 - 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 - 12:45 Presentation of student field research

- Adrian Fenton, PhD Candidate, University of Leeds: "Microfinance and climate change adaptation: Bangladesh"
- Natalia Realpe Carrillo, PhD Candidate, Technische Universitat Berlin/MicroEnergy International: "Development of a Progress out of Energy Poverty Index (PEPI) for the Microfinance Industry: Colombia"
 - o Comment by Bernd Balkenhol, University of Geneva

12:45 - 14:15 Lunch

14:15 – 15.45 **Plenary Session 2**

Weather Microinsurance – Part 2

- Diana Urbani, CelsiusPro
- Yann Galister, Grameen Crédit Agricole Foundation
- PlaNet Guarantee (tbc)
- Federica Di Marcantonio, European Commission, Joint Research Centre, Institute for Environment and Sustainability Monitoring Agricultural Resource Unit

15:45 - 16:45 Plenary Session 3

Linking microfinance with the EXPO Milano 2015

- Expo 2015 Scientific Committee (tbc)
- Stefano Corsi, Università degli Studi di Milano/Coopi
- Chico Mendes (tbc)
- Mariangela Pensa, ResponsaAbility (tbc)

16:45 - 17:00 **Closing Remarks**

Davide Castellani, University of Bergamo, University Meets Microfinance

17.00 Cocktail

















