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Looking at the Food System: How can Africa feed its Millions?

Plant nutrition - an underestimated ingredient

A Learning Forum by SDC's Global Programme Food Security (GPFS) with partners from science, civil society, the private and public sector









Session 1/2017: Thursday, 22 June 2017, 9.00 – 17.00

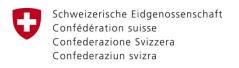
Place: Berner Bildungszentrum Pflege, Freiburgstrasse 133, 3008 Bern

Participation is free of charge. Kindly be informed that due to limited space, registration will be on a first come, first serve basis. Register for the learning day by writing to Sophie Hirsig, sophie-lena.hirsig@eda.admin.ch.

We look forward to your participation!







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Tentative Programme of Session 1/2017 on Thursday, 22 June 2017

09.00 - 09.10	Welcoming words by representatives of SDC's Global Programme Food Security
09.10 - 10.30	Module 1: Opening and Common Ground The session explores the food system from a scientific viewpoint, and later focuses on the agricultural production system specifically plant nutrition and cooperation with smallholders.
	Speakers: Jonas Jörin, ETH Zurich Dominik Klauser, Syngenta Foundation Dionys Forster, Nestlé
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 – 12.30	Module 2: Let's look at Plant Nutrition: Two different perspectives The second session showcases two different viewpoints on plant nutrition.
	Speakers: Prem S. Bindraban, International Fertilizer Development Center, IFDC Forschungsinstitut für Biologischen Landbau, FIBL
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 - 15.30	Module 3: Reflections and Group Work In the third session, Benoît Girardin takes us on a philosophical reflection on why millions of people are left behind and what the speakers have proposed to overcome hunger and malnutrition in Africa. In depth work in two groups follows:
	Group 1: How can productivity of food crops in Africa be sufficiently increased with organic fertilizers? Lead: FIBL
	Group 2: Plant nutrition, a forgotten ingredient in Africa? Lead: IFDC
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee break
16.00 – 17.00	Flashes of the Group Work, reflection and closing



