

Information

Registration

Please register until 9 December 2016
at www.sfiar.ch/award.htm

Cost and refreshments

Participation is free of charge.
Refreshments will be served after the event.

Language

The event will be held in English,
no translation will be provided.

Directions

ETH Zurich
Main Building, Room HG D 1.1 (Hörsaal)
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Swiss Forum for
International Agricultural Research



Innovation for a Better Life Linking Agricultural Research to Results in the Field

Award ceremony and public discussion organized
by the Swiss Forum for International Agricultural Research (SFIAR)
hosted by the World Food System Center – ETH Zurich

ETH Zurich (Main building, room HG D 1.1)
15 December 2016, 16:15–18:30

Award

The Swiss Forum for International Agricultural Research (SFIAR) offers an annual Award for graduates and scientists working in agricultural research for development. This year's Award goes to Gina Garland of ETH Zurich for her PhD research on maize-pigeon pea intercropping in Malawi. The study aims at increasing soil fertility through changes in agricultural management practice. The Award for the best Master Thesis goes to Fritzi Hartung-Hofmann (former student at University of Bern) for her case study in Nepal on land use changes in the context of agricultural abandonment.

Event

Research for Development (R4D) refers to research and education activities in collaboration with scientists and institutions in developing and transition countries. Key note speaker Prof. Paul R. van Gardingen – formerly UNESCO Chair in International Development at the University of Edinburgh – will introduce the topic on how such research needs to be designed to create impact especially for the benefit of smallholders in developing countries. After presentations by the awardees on their research projects a panel discussion will explore how to ensure that research for development is meaningful and taken up by farmers.

Programme

- 16:15 Welcome
(Beate Huber, SFIAR President)
- 16:25 Keynote: How research becomes meaningful for smallholders in developing countries
(Prof. Paul R. van Gardingen, Visiting Chair, University of Leicester (International Development); formerly, UNESCO Chair in International Development and Director, UK Ecosystem Services for Poverty Alleviation Program)
- 16:55 SFIAR Award Laudatio
(Beate Huber, SFIAR President)
- 17:05 The use of maize-pigeon pea intercropping to enhance organic phosphorus cycling and maize yields in Malawi
(Gina Garland, Winner of SFIAR PhD/ Post Doc Award, ETH Zurich)
- 17:25 Land use and land cover changes in the context of agricultural abandonment. A case study in the Kaski District Area, Pokhara, Nepal
(Fritzi Hartung-Hofmann, Winner of SFIAR Master Thesis Award, former student at University of Bern)
- 17:45 Panel Discussion: How to design meaningful research for smallholders?
(Prof. Paul R. van Gardingen; Gina Garland; Fritzi Hartung-Hofmann; Rupa Mukerji, Helvetas Swiss Intercooperation; moderation: Marlene Heeb, SDC – Global Programme Food Security)
- 18:25 Presentation of the Awards
- 18:30 Refreshments