

You are invited to a
DIALOGUE BETWEEN FARMERS
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO - FDI / DRC
"Feed the world, feed the DR Congo"

18 to 21 November 2013.

The Farmers' Dialogue (DEA/DRC) in the Democratic Republic of Congo, in collaboration with International Farmers' Dialogue (FDI) and Initiatives of Change (IofC) has the pleasure to invite you to their conference to be held at:

the Amani Centre Muhumba (convent of Nuns) in Bukavu, South Kivu.

The conference aims are:

- Exchanges between the farmers of the country, the region and the world.
- Improvement of the effectiveness of farmers in their mission to produce food for all.
- Learning through dialogue, based on the practical experiences of each person in their work in crop production and livestock management.

Everyone will be expected to participate, sharing their experiences to create a successful conference.

There is a special welcome to farmers from outside the DRC! Their input will be valuable in the areas of farmer organisations, livestock management and protection of the environment.

Conference fee U.S. \$ 250.

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Farmers' Dialogue International:

Vision: A world where everybody has enough food

FDI's purpose: to help Farmers to fulfill their task to feed the world:

- To care for environment and natural resources and develop a sustainable method of farming
- To answer the world's needs in quality and quantity of food
- To receive a decent return on their work and to eradicate poverty

Project's global framework:

- The UN Millennium Development Goals (1 Eradicating [extreme poverty and hunger](#), 7 Ensuring [environmental sustainability](#), 8 Developing a [global partnership for development](#))
- The orientations of the International Association *Initiatives of Change*, including the project "Land, Lives and Peace"

FDI's approach:

To stimulate personal and global change in attitudes and commitment, among farmers and all stakeholders of the food chain.

Everyone is aware of the need for a secure sustainable food supply that satisfies the needs of every citizen. To achieve this requires technical skills and qualities of character. We need people of integrity, who are above corruption, whose vision for the future can inspire others. Our Vision is, for farmers to become the change we want to see in the world. Where we think globally and act locally, where science and economics are geared to human need, where we base our actions on the principles of the international movement *Initiatives of Change*. Where we learn from the examples of all people, especially those of conviction and faith who have played an important role in society.

What FDI offers:

- Exchanges of experiences between farmers through farm visits and meetings with other stakeholders
- “Dialogues” which will promote a search and a reflection and encourage them to make a change locally
- Events enabling farmers to share their experience and commitment and be heard and recognised publicly
- International network of agricultural specialists and of grassroots farmers with experience and expertise on Farmers' Dialogue network!
- Many possibilities for help, volunteers, communication, fund research, ... for gifts to cover the needs, ...



The DRC FD Team in charge of the preparation for the international meeting



FD team at work in the field

“Farmers’ Dialogue International” is a legal association under Swiss law based in Geneva. It is an associate member of the International Association Initiatives of Change, an NGO in Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations and Participatory Status with the Council of Europe