

Policy Workshop

Developing Policy Innovations for the Pastoralist Rangelands through Cross-Sector Partnerships

Tuesday, June 9, 2015

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Motivation and Objectives

The Index-Based Livestock Insurance (IBLI) program represents a fruitful cross-sector partnership, bringing together academic researchers, policymakers, private sector partners, NGOs and other stakeholders to develop an innovation to improve livelihoods on the pastoralist rangelands of East Africa. How will this innovative partnership continue to evolve as IBLI looks to scale, and what possibilities are there to develop similar synergies in other policy domains?

We are organizing a workshop on **Tuesday, June 9, 2015** in Nairobi, Kenya, to bring together stakeholders interested in emerging innovations to improve socio-economic outcomes on the pastoralist rangelands of Kenya and beyond. We seek to engage policymakers, government officials, private sector actors, donors, and academics. The workshop will be highly interactive, combining plenary presentations, panel discussions, question-and-answer periods, and opportunities for more informal interaction amongst attendees.

The **morning session** of the workshop will be focused on assessing and drawing out insights from the cross-sector partnership behind the IBLI program, and the emerging livestock microinsurance agenda in Kenya. The session will include a keynote presentations on the IBLI agenda, and the development and scale-up of (livestock) microinsurance more broadly. It will include inputs from private sector and government actors highlighting the role of research in helping to develop IBLI and the Kenya Livestock Insurance Program (KLIP). The session will close with a panel Q&A to address emerging questions from the presentations.

The **afternoon session** will be focused on a number of emerging innovations, some of which have grown out of the IBLI program. The first segment highlights new ways in which technology such as mobile phones, GPS tracking collars and remote sensing data are being used to develop a deeper understanding of the pastoralist livelihood and policy innovations on the rangelands. The second segment focuses on emerging interest in feed and fodders and research and policy directions in this area. Each segment will close with a Q&A session to further identify and discus pressing questions on each of these topics.

We hope that you will be able to participate and we look forward to welcoming your contributions to the discussion and the ongoing policy and research agenda.

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Agenda

8:00 – 8:30 Registration, tea and coffee

Morning session IBLI, KLIP and Cross-sector Partnership for Livestock Microinsurance in Kenya

8:30 - 9:00	Welcome to Workshop and Introduction	Dr. Polly Ericksen, Director, Livestock, Systems and Environment Programme, ILRI
9 – 9:45	Index-Based Livestock Insurance (IBLI): From Research to Practice and Impact	Dr. Andrew Mude, Principal Economist and IBLI Project Leader, ILRI
9:45 – 10:10	Public-Private Partnerships for Scaling out IBLI: Implementing the Kenya Livestock Insurance Program agenda	Mr. Vincent Githinji, Deputy-Director, State Department of Livestock, Kenya
10:10 - 10:30	Coffee and tea break	
10:30 – 10:55	From Research to (Private Sector) Practice: Research Inputs to Expansion of IBLI and New Questions	Mr. Hassan Bashir, CEO, Takaful Insurance
10:55 – 11:40	Key Policy Questions Around the Design and Implementation of Index-insurance Initiatives More Generally	Professor Michael Carter, Director of the Index-Insurance Innovation Initiative and Professor of Agricultural Economics, UC Davis, USA
11:40 – 12:30	Panel discussion Q&A	
12:30 – 1:30	Lunch	

Afternoon session Emerging Innovations for the Rangelands

1:30 – 3:00	Emerging Innovations Using ICT and Remote Sensing	
1:30 – 2	Determinants of Migration and Environmental Spillovers of IBLI	Dr. Russell Toth, the University of Sydney, Australia
2 – 2:15	Crowdsourcing of Rangeland Conditions	Dr. Nathan Jensen, Cornell University, USA
2:15 – 2:30	Using ICT to Improve Extension and Monitoring	Dr. Elizabeth Lyons, UC San Diego, USA
2:30 – 3	Panel discussion Q&A	
3:00 – 3:30	Coffee and tea break	

3:30 – 5:00	Improved Feed and Forage Management for Dryland Livestock Value Chains	
3:30 – 4	Feed and Fodders as Agricultural Technology for Credit and Investment	Professor John McPeak, Syracuse University, USA
4 – 4:30	New Policy Directions around Feed and Fodders	Dr. Polly Ericksen, Director, Livestock, Systems and Environment Programme, ILRI
4:30 – 5	Panel discussion Q&A	
5 – 5:15	Closing and thanks	
5:15 - 6:30	Cocktail and nibbles	



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