



## **“AGRICULTURE: PROMOTING LIVELIHOODS IN CONFLICT-AFFECTED ENVIRONMENTS.”**

### **DATES:**

Program begins on Monday,  
March 22, 2010 at 5:00 pm  
and concludes on Thursday,  
March 25, 2010 at 5:00 pm.

### **LOCATION:**

Monterey, California, USA

### **DESCRIPTION:**

Economic recovery following conflict can be an extremely difficult challenge, yet it is a critical aspect of a country’s ability to attain stability and lasting peace by rebuilding livelihoods. This workshop will explore agricultural development as an integral part of achieving political and socio-economic stabilization. Best practices in use by the various response communities will be discussed and evaluated for their applicability in a variety of international settings.

### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

By the end of the workshop, participants will have:

- Developed a deeper knowledge of the variables influencing agriculture and its governance, and the role of agricultural development in establishing political stability.
- Explored a range of policy and programmatic approaches for rebuilding livelihoods and promoting agricultural recovery.
- Gained familiarity with operational tools for designing livelihood and agricultural programs.
- Enhanced understanding of and exposure to professional networks among the communities involved in agricultural programs.

## **METHODOLOGY:**

The workshop will consist of a series of facilitated discussions; individual and panel presentations; group work on select problems; and country case studies. Additionally, a reception and group lunches will support the networking objective.

## **PARTICIPANTS:**

Approximately 45 representatives from civilian government agencies, non-governmental organizations, inter-governmental organizations and the armed forces will attend. Participants should be junior to mid-level representatives from their communities with experience working in the field and/or in policy-advisory positions.

## **FACULTY:**

Dr. John Mellor, former Director of the International Food Policy Research Institute, and Chief Economist of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Mr. Jeff Lewis, President of International Disaster Assistance and Response Training (IDART), and Dr. Sophal Ear, Assistant Professor for National Security Affairs, Naval Postgraduate School.

## **COST:**

- There is no tuition or conference fee.
- CSRS will cover the costs of lodging at the program site for practitioners from nongovernmental organizations, governmental civilian agencies, and intergovernmental organizations. (Representatives of the defense/armed forces community (including civilian employees) must pay their own lodging.)
- Gratis lunch provided to all on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

## **TRAVEL:**

All international and domestic participants should plan to arrive by 5 pm, Monday, March 22, 2010.

All are welcome to arrive early or depart late, but CSRS will not be able to cover additional accommodation expenses.

- Participants traveling internationally may arrive as early as Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup> and depart as late as Friday March 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Participants traveling domestically should plan to arrive by 5pm on Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> and depart as late as Friday March 26<sup>th</sup>.

## **ACCOMMODATIONS:**

The event will be held at a local hotel (to be announced) where participants from outside of Monterey will be housed.

## **APPLICATION:**

The application period for this course will open on December 17, and close on February 8, 2010. We anticipate that demand for this course will far exceed the number of participants that we can accommodate. Admission decisions will be announced on a rolling basis starting February 16 until all seats are filled. Applications are accepted via the CSRS online system:



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