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DAY ONE: Monday 28 November

08:00 – 09:00 REGISTRATION (Front Hall, CIAD Building)

09:00 – 09:30 INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME (Auditorium, CIAD Building) *Chair: Jingzhong Ye, Dean and Professor, COHD, China Agricultural University*

Bingsheng Ke, President and Professor, China Agricultural University

Benjamin Cousins, Professor, Institute for Poverty, Land and Agrarian Studies (PLAAS), University of the Western Cape, South Africa

Sergio Sauer, Professor, University of Brasilia, Brazil

09:30 – 10:30 FIRST PLENARY PANEL: Agrarian Changes in BRICS Countries (Auditorium, CIAD Building) *Chair: Mindi Schneider, Assistant Professor, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands*

Teodor Shanin, Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences, Russia *The Awkward Class*

Benjamin Cousins, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, South Africa *Agrarian change in BRICS countries - Frameworks for comparative analysis*

10:30 – 11:00 COFFEE BREAK (Front Hall, CIAD Building)

11:00 – 12:30 FIRST PARALLEL PANEL

Panel 1: BRICS' Global Investments (Auditorium, CIAD Building) *Chair: Sergio Schneider, Professor, Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil*

Juliet Lu, UC Berkley, USA (juliet.lu@berkeley.edu) Great expectations: Chinese investment in Laos and the myth of empty land

Gustavo de L. T. Oliveira, UC Berkley, USA (oliveira@berkeley.edu) Dragon heads and paper tigers: Discerning Chinese agribusiness investments in Brazil

Xiuli Xu, COHD, China Agricultural University (xxl@cau.edu.cn); Xiaoyun Li, COHD, China Agricultural University (xiaoyun@cau.edu.cn) *Traveling technocratic rationality: Historical review of China-Africa agricultural cooperation*

Siu Sue Mark, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands (suemark.yangon@gmail.com) *The evolving nature of Chinese land-based investments in Myanmar post-transition*

Panel 2: Globalization and Modernization (008, CIAD Building) *Chair: Teresa Tadem, Professor, University of the Philippines*

Lakshmi Adriani Savitri, Gadjah Mada University, Indonesia (laksmi.adriani@gmail.com) Chinese migrant workers in Indonesia from colonial to neoliberal capitalist development: A

history repeated?

Gubo Qi, COHD, China Agricultural University (qigupo@cau.edu.cn); Lerong Yu, COHD, China Agricultural University (yulerong@cau.edu.cn); Dawit Alemu, Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research, Ethiopia (dawit96@yahoo.com); Seth Cook, International Institute for Environment and Development, UK (seth.cook@iied.org); Xiaoyun Li, COHD, China Agricultural University (xiaoyun@cau.edu.cn)

The logic of China-Africa agricultural cooperation: The imitation and adaptation of the institutions

Anthony Michael Fuller, University of Guelph, Canada (tfuller@uoguelph.ca); Siyuan Xu, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China (xusiyuan708@163.com) The adaptation of globally important agricultural heritage systems to modernization: Three village cases in Qingtian, south China

Benedict McKay, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands (benedict.mckay@gmail.com) *Agrarian extractivism in Bolivia*

Panel 3: Agro-extractivism and Financialization (004, CIAD Building) *Chair: Huifang Wu, Professor, COHD, China Agricultural University*

Nadine Reis, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands (nreis@uni-bonn.de) (Agro-) Extractivism and financialization

Shigehisa Kasahara, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands (kasahara@iss.nl) *The BRICS New Development Bank: Its likely effects on international political economy*

Xing Yang, Kyoto University, Japan (yang.xing.62s@st.kyoto-u.ac.jp); Shuji Hisano, Kyoto University, Japan (hisano@econ.kyoto-u.ac.jp) *Financialization of Chinese agriculture: Private equity companies, agribusiness and governments*

Midori Hiraga, Kyoto University, Japan (midorihiraga@gmail.com) The development trajectory of vegetable oil industry based on the global oil-crops in agroextractivism: An example of Japanese sogo-shosha and oil-related industry

12:30 – 14:00 LUNCH BUFFET

14:00 – 15:30 SECOND PLENARY PANEL: Global Investments in Agriculture (Auditorium, CIAD Building) *Chair: Gubo Qi, Professor, COHD, China Agricultural University*

Sergio Sauer, University of Brasilia, Brazil Relations between Brazil and China and some impacts in Latin America

Nettie Wiebe, St. Andrew's College, Canada Losing ground: The effects of investor buy-ups and land concentration on family farms, women, and communities in Saskatchewan, Canada

Chayan Vaddhanaphuti, Chiang Mai University, Thailand

15:30 - 16:00 COFFEE BREAK (Front Hall, CIAD Building)

16:00 - 17:30 SECOND PARALLEL PANEL

Panel 4: Agriculture and Accumulation (Auditorium, CIAD Building) *Chair: Yu Huang, Postdoctoral Fellow, Division of Social Science, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, China*

Murat Arsel, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands (arsel@iss.nl) Accumulation by dislocation: Enclosures and neoliberal developmentalism in contemporary Turkey

Wei Wang, COHD, China Agricultural University (wangwei901115@163.com) Accumulation and redistribution: An analytical framework to understand peasant differentiation in contemporary China

Daniela Andrade, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands (andrade@iss.nl) The expansion of natural resource-intensive sectors in Brazil and the extraction of income and wealth

Panel 5: Boom Crops and Agriculture (008, CIAD Building) *Chair: Bernardo Mançano Fernandes, Professor, São Paulo State University (UNESP), Brazil*

Juan Liu, Northwest A&F University, China (juanlcau@gmail.com); Nuo Chen, Northwest A&F University, China Banana boom and its implications inside and outside China

Helena Pérez Niño, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, South Africa (hpereznino@plaas.org.za) The tobacco boom in southern Africa: Interrogating its foundations and its implications for farmers in low-income countries

Yunan Xu, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands (yunan@iss.nl) Fight against exclusion or resist within inclusion? Political reactions from rural villagers within the rise of industrial tree plantation sector in Guangxi, China

Chunyu Wang, COHD, China Agricultural University (wangchyu@cau.edu.cn) Sweet at both ends? False claims, real struggles in a sugarcane plantation in China

Panel 6: State, Market and Society (004, CIAD Building) *Chair: Philip Hirsch, Professor, University of Sydney, Australia*

Cyriaque Hakizimana, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, South Africa (chakizimana@plaas.org.za) Land and agricultural commercialization in Meru County, Kenya: Evidence from three farming models

Karori Singh, University of Rajasthan, India (karsiapc@gmail.com) Dismantling agrarian economy: An appraisal of agricultural development policies

Zhanping Hu, Singapore Management University (zphu@smu.edu.sg) The state-market-society nexus: Agrarian changes of the BRICS countries Felix Kwabena Donkor, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, South Africa (1239639@students.wits.ac.za) A study on the relationship between social grants receipt and engagement in agriculture/natural resource related activities

18:00 – 20:00 GROUP DINNER

DAY TWO: Tuesday 29 November

09:00 – 10:30 THIRD PLENARY PANEL: Understanding Agro-extractivism (Auditorium, CIAD Building) *Chair: Hairong Yan, Associate Professor, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China*

Philip Hirsch, University of Sydney, Australia A regionalized approach to land relations under agro-extractivism

Mindi Schneider, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands On taking and leaving behind: Agrarian change and the dialectics of agro-extractivism

Gonzalo Colque Fernandez, Fundación TIERRA, Bolivia Agro-extractivism in the context of commodities boom: The case of Bolivia and its recent agrarian transformations

10:30 – 11:00 COFFEE BREAK (Front Hall, CIAD Building)

11:00 - 12:30 THIRD PARALLEL PANEL

Panel 7: Agro-extractivism and Impacts on Livelihoods (Auditorium, CIAD Building) *Chair: Xiuli Xu, Associate Professor, COHD, China Agricultural University*

Eduardo Climaco Tadem, University of the Philippines (ectadem@gmail.com) Special economic zones and the peasantry: The case of the Aurora Pacific Economic Zone and Freeport Authority (APECO)

Frank Ademba, La Via Campasina, Tanzania (ademba.frank@gmail.com) The impacts of land grabbing on the livelihood of small-scale farmers in Tanzania: A case of SAGCOT areas in Ruvuma Region

Ruiqin Gao, COHD, China Agricultural University (gaoruiqin@cau.edu.cn) Where are their hometown? Land transfer and migrant workers' subsistence rights in China

Manenzhe Tshililo Justice, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, South Africa (tmanenje@gmail.com) Land reform and the fate of farmworkers: Complexities of 'belonging' on community-owned capitalist farming enterprises in Levubu Valley, South Africa

Panel 8: Food Sovereignty and Food Politics (008, CIAD Building) *Chair: Yanli Liu, Associate Professor, COHD, China Agricultural University* Sayaka Funda Classen, Meiji Gakuin University, Japan (sayaka.funada.classen@gmx.de) The historical process of expansion of global soy frontiers and 'sovereignty' questions: Focusing on the role of Japan in northeast China, Brazil and Mozambique

Li Zhang, COHD, China Agricultural University (lili439666@126.com) 'Abundance' illusion: Food politics in a southwest village in China

Congzhi He, COHD, China Agricultural University (hecz@cau.edu.cn) Creating space for manoeuvre through alternative food practice in rural China

Panel 9: Food and Agriculture (004, CIAD Building)

Chair: Sally Annette Sargeson, Associate Professor, Australian National University

Myriam Del Carmen Paredes Chauca, Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO), Argentina (mcparedes@flacso.edu.ec) *Heterogeneity of agrifood production in search of sustainability in Ecuador*

Mindi Schneider, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands (schneider@iss.nl) *The changing face of transnational agribusiness: TNCs in China and China's TNCs*

Huijiao Xu, COHD, China Agricultural University (xuhj@cau.edu.cn) For whose scale and for whose agricultural modernization - Demystification of economics of scale in Chinese agriculture

Jin Zhang, Wageningen University, the Netherlands (zhangjin082448@163.com) *Getting the data right: Main trends in China's agriculture and food sector*

12:30 – 14:00 LUNCH BUFFET

14:00 – 15:30 FOURTH PLENARY PANEL: Peasants and Peasant Agriculture (Auditorium, CIAD Building)

Chair: Murat Arsel, Associate Professor, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands

Aleksandr Nikulin, Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration, Russia Alexander Chayanov and contemporary Russian rural development

Sergio Schneider, Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil Accumulation from below in the world of agro-extractivism in BRICS countries - There is room for family farmers

Jan Douwe van der Ploeg, Jingzhong Ye, Teodor Shanin and Sergio Schneider BRICS countries, extractivism, expolary economies and alternative-oriented struggles

15:30 – 16:00 COFFEE BREAK (Front Hall, CIAD Building)

16:00 – 17:30 FOURTH PARALLEL PANEL

Panel 10: Agro-extractivism and Resistance-1 (Auditorium, CIAD Building)

Chair: Lyda Fernanda Forero Torres, Senior Researcher, Transnational Institute (TNI), the Netherlands

Eric Hoddy, York University, UK (eth501@york.ac.uk) Brazil's landless movement (MST) and rights 'from below'

Tijo Salverda, Global South Studies Center (GSSC), University of Cologne, Germany (tijo@tijosalverda.nl) Facing criticism: Agro-extractivism and its countermovement

Fabiano Escher, Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil (escher_fab@hotmail.com); Sergio Schneider, Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil (schneide@ufrgs.br) *Counter-movements in Brazil and China agrifood systems? Some experiences in linking production and consumption through the construction of new, nested market*

Clara Craviotti, National Scientific and Technical Research Council (CONICET), Argentina (ccraviotti@yahoo.com) A global regime of accumulation? Actors, assemblages and controversies in the Argentine soybean seed industry

Panel 11: Capitalization of Agriculture in China (008, CIAD Building) *Chair: Henry Veltmeyer, Professor, Universidad Autónoma de Zacatecas, Mexico*

Yiyuan Chen, COHD, China Agricultural University (chenyiyuan1988@163.com) Overcoming the obstacles in developing capitalist agriculture: Capital accumulation by utilizing rural social networks

Yu Huang, Division of Social Science, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, China (yhuang@uw.edu)

'Pathogen exclusion': The bourgeois science of shrimp disease control and farmers' drive to overproduction in south China

Chiyin Ruan, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, China (chiyinruan@link.cuhk.edu.hk) The 'company + peasant' model and the poverty of the Yi ethnic minority: Exploring the development of buckwheat industry in Liangshan, Sichuan

Panel 12: Development and Rural Transformation (004, CIAD Building) Chair: Qian Forrest Zhang, Associate Professor, Singapore Management University

Shaohua Zhan, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (shzhan@ntu.edu.sg) *Riding on food security: Agrarian capital and rural transformations in China*

Huifang Wu, COHD, China Agricultural University (wuhf@cau.edu.cn) Commodification of land, labor and agro-food change in rural China: Observations from a village

Sally Annette Sargeson, Australian National University (sally.sargeson@anu.edu.au) Fragmentation and fragility: The impacts of compensating for land expropriations in China

17:30 – 18:30 BOOK LAUNCH (Auditorium, CIAD Building) Chair: Benjamin Cousins, Professor, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape, South Africa

18:30 – 20:30 GROUP DINNER

18:30 – 20:30 SMALL BOOK SERIES SEMINAR (over dinner)

DAY THREE: Wednesday 30 November

09:00 – 10:30 FIFTH PLENARY PANEL: Agriculture and the Countryside (Auditorium, CIAD Building) *Chair: Tamara Jacka, Professor, Australian National University*

Anirban Dasgupta, South Asian University, India *Agriculture and accumulation in India: A ruptured link?*

Hairong Yan, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, China *Shall capital or cadres organize Chinese countryside?*

Qian Forrest Zhang, Singapore Management University The end of the cooperative road for Chinese agriculture?

10:30 – 11:00 COFFEE BREAK (Front Hall, CIAD Building)

11:00 – 12:00 FIFTH PARALLEL PANEL

Panel 13: Law and Gender (Auditorium, CIAD Building) *Chair: Le Thi Van Hue, Senior Researcher, Vietnam National University*

Daniel Huizenga, York University, Canada (huizenga@yorku.ca) Articulations of transnational law and policy in the context of land reform and agro-extractivism in South Africa: Insights from socio-legal studies

Yonit Manor Percival, University of London, UK (y.percival@qmul.ac.uk; yonitpercival@hotmail.com) Property rights and the taking of land: Expropriation in historical perspective

Chao Zhou, COHD, China Agricultural University (zhouchao@cau.edu.cn); Anthony Michael Fuller, University of Guelph, Canada (tfuller@uoguelph.ca) *The land assembly process in rural China: The prima facia step in the capitalization of agriculture*

Panel 14: Agro-extractivism and Resistance-2 (004, CIAD Building) Chair: Anirban Dasgupta, Associate Professor, South Asian University, India

Henry Veltmeyer, Universidad Autónoma de Zacatecas, Mexico (hveltmeyer@gmail.com) Agro-extractivism, development and the resistance in the neoliberal era: Lessons from Latin America

Awanish Kumar, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, India (awanishkumar86@gmail.com); Silva Lieberherr, University of Zurich, Switzerland (silva.lieberherr@gmail.com) Emerging forms of agrarian resistance under globalization: Insights from Maharashtra State, India

Bernardo Mançano Fernandes, São Paulo State University (UNESP), Brazil (bmf@fct.unesp.br);

Philip Hirsch, University of Sydney, Australia (philip.hirsch@sydney.edu.au) Limits to agro-extractivism in Brazil and the Mekong: A comparative political ecology of resistance and policy responses

Panel 15: Water Issues (008, CIAD Building)

Chair: Jennifer C. Franco, Senior Researcher, Transnational Institute (TNI), the Netherlands

Elyse Mills, ISS, Erasmus University Rotterdam, the Netherlands (elysemills@gmail.com) Dynamics of transnational 'fisheries justice' movements: Framing their implications for food and climate politics

Hua Li, Taiyuan University of Technology, China (lihuacau@126.com) Beyond discourses of water scarcity: Water politics of the south-to-north water diversion project in China

Peer Ghulam Nabi, Centre for Research and Development Policy (CRDP), India (suhailkopor@gmail.com); Jingzhong Ye, COHD, China Agricultural University (yejz@cau.edu.cn) *Whose land, whose water and whose power: State manipulation, corporate exploitation and the politics of land grabbing for water in Indian Kashmir*

12:00 – 12:30 WRAP UP (Auditorium, CIAD Building)

12:30 – 14:00 LUNCH BUFFET

The afternoon events are only for those who are concerned and informed

14:00 – 16:00 BICAS COMMITTEE MEETING (Auditorium, CIAD Building)

16:00 – 17:30 CSO CAUCUS (Auditorium, CIAD Building)

17:30 – 18:30 LITTLE MEETING ON BOOM CROPS, LAND, LABOR AND WATER (Auditorium, CIAD Building)

18:30 – 20:30 GROUP DINNER

IMPORTANT NOTES

WIFI SERVICE

Free WiFi service is available in CIAD Building. Please search for 'COHD', you will then log in automatically.

VENUE

All conference panels will be held in CIAD Building, China Agricultural University (west campus).

PRESENTATIONS

Each presentation will have **maximum** 15 minutes! The rest is for questions and discussions.

AIRPORT PICK UPS

All participants will be provided with **airport pick up service** according to your flight schedule. We will also arrange transport to bring you from the hotel to the airport for those who will depart on 1 or 2 December, 2016.

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If you have changed your flight schedule, please do inform us.

HOTEL

All participants will be accommodated in **Beijing Friendship Hotel** during the conference period. Breakfast is included in the room rate.

SHUTTLE BUS FOR THE CONFERENCE

Shuttle bus service will be provided between the Friendship Hotel and the conference venue.

Departure time from the Hotel: 8:00 on November 28, 29, 30.

CONFERENCE MEALS

Buffet lunches and organized dinners will be provided on 28, 29, 30 November, 2016.

The College of Humanities and Development Studies (COHD) welcomes you!