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Book launch: Valuing Variability

New perspectives on climate resilient drylands development

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Lunch-time Conference External Cooperation Infopoint



Introduction

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Q&A session: English



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Drylands are a big part of our global heritage, in terms of the crops and livestock we've drawn from them, and the practices we've learnt from coping with water-short livelihood systems. In its' new book "Valuing Variability", IIED (International Institute for Environment and Development) argues that improving agricultural productivity in dryland environments is possible by working with climatic uncertainty rather than seeking to control it. By exploring the vibrant agricultural economies of the drylands which take advantage of variability, this book inverts longstanding negative views about food security in the drylands.

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