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DOES CONSERVATION AGRICULTURE FACILITATE FOOD SECURITY FOR SMALLHOLDER FARMERS?

AS PART OF THE *ILLUMINATING SCIENCE SERIES*,
CSIP PRESENTS:

John Kimathi Mbae

Technical Specialist, Canadian Foodgrains Bank,
Conservation Agriculture

John Mbae, a Kenyan national, works as the Technical Specialist with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank Conservation Agriculture (CA) program. John has over 11 years' experience in socio-economic and agricultural research, advocacy and policy and project management. He holds a BSc in Animal Production from Egerton University in Kenya and a MA in Planning from the University of Nairobi. He previously worked as a researcher scientist and departmental head of policy and outreach with the Centre for Training and Integrated Research (www.CETRAD.org). He has extensive experience in community capacity building and participatory techniques. He has presented papers on conservation agriculture and dry-land farming in various international conferences.



EVENT DETAILS:

Conservation Agriculture (CA) promotion has been intensified across East and Southern Africa by international development organizations, the private and public sectors and others with the aim of strengthening the food security situation in these regions. CA links three land management principles - minimum soil disturbance, permanent soil cover, and crop rotation, all of which carry implications at local and even national levels. In March 2015, Canadian Foodgrains Bank, through funding support from Global Affairs Canada, began a five-year *Scaling Up Conservation Agriculture in East Africa* program. This presentation shares preliminary results through farmer stories and experiences and will reflect on promising practices, innovations and challenges toward the achievement of impacting 50,000 smallholder farming households.

November 14, 2017 @ 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Location (Saskatoon): Prairie Room, Diefenbaker Building, University of Saskatchewan campus

Location (Regina): Room 210, 2 Research Drive, University of Regina

Registration: Available online.

NOTE: This lecture will be videoconferenced from Saskatoon to Regina.

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