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Join us for the first **Global Agriculture Innovation Forum** on **March 2, 2021**

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Farms and Farmers of the Future



Moderator

Dr. John Dixon, Adjunct Professor at the University of Queensland. He has more than four decades of experience with agricultural research and sustainable development with FAO, the CGIAR, ACIAR Australia and several Universities in Asia, Africa, the Middle East and Latin America.



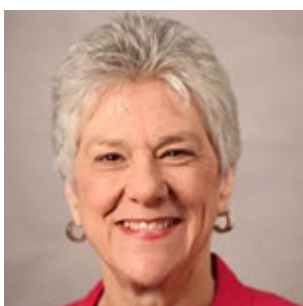
***Farms and farmers of the future will be:
Productive and efficient in producing wholesome products***

Dr. Rajendra Paroda, former Director General of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and Secretary, Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Government of India.



***Farms and farmers of the future will be:
Sustainable and climate-smart***

Dr. Dennis Garrity, Systems Agronomist and research leader whose career has focused on improving small-scale farming systems in the tropics. He has been serving as Drylands Ambassador for the UN Convention to Combat Desertification, emphasizing the role of agroforestry, evergreen agriculture and landcare for sustainable land management. From 2001 to 2011, he served as Director General of the World Agroforestry Centre. He is currently Chair of the Board of the Global EverGreening Alliance and also chairs Landcare International, a worldwide effort to support grassroots community-based natural resource management.



***Farms and farmers of the future will be:
Informed and connected to markets***

Dr. Louise Fox, Senior Fellow in the Africa Growth Initiative (AGI), Brookings Institution, and formerly chief economist at USAID, visiting professor of development economic policy at the University of California, Berkeley, and various positions at the World Bank.

***Farms and farmers of the future will be:
Enabled with transformational technologies***

Speaker to be announced

The Forum will also include a series of side events to provide a deeper dive into each topic. Register or sign up for more information and notifications. [Please register at this link.](#)

Future forum themes

- Innovations in Genetic Improvement of Agricultural Systems – **May 4, 2021**
- Innovations in Post-Harvest Management – **June 29, 2021**
- Innovations in Entrepreneurship, Especially Among Youth – **August 24, 2021**
- Innovations in Information and Communication Technologies – **October 19, 2021**
- Innovations in Scaling – **December 14, 2021**

About the Global Agriculture Innovation Forum:

The Global Agriculture Innovation Forum is a joint undertaking between USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service and Purdue University's Office of International Programs in Agriculture. The Forum will be valuable to entrepreneurs, producers, value-chain operators, service providers, and researchers, as well as donor agencies and implementing partners and will consist of a series of virtual events held throughout 2021.

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