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Seventy five percent of the world's poor live in rural areas. The evidence that growth in agriculture is on average at least twice as effective in reducing poverty as growth outside agriculture is thus no surprise. Agricultural growth reduces poverty directly by raising farm incomes, and indirectly through generating employment and reducing food prices. Pro-poor agricultural growth is centered on small holder farmers who are made more competitive and sustainable through institutional and technological innovations and empowered through producer organizations. These interventions must be complimented by massive investments in rural education to transition into more skill-intensive employment and successful migration.

World Development Report
Agriculture for Development
World Bank, 2008

*"...improving the quality of life
in developing countries through
agricultural research, education,
and knowledge transfer"*

AIARD

...mobilizing support for international agriculture and rural development programs by:

Increasing awareness of the instrumental role of agriculture in global development

Informing policy makers, donors and institutions about effective strategies to advance agriculture and rural development in the global economy

Improving relationships between agriculture and rural development and other development efforts to promote a sustainable global society (e.g., natural resources, health and nutrition, child survival, HIV/AIDS, gender, democratization)

Promoting interaction and cooperation among organizations engaged in international development

ACTIVITIES

...informing policy makers, members, future leaders, and others about contemporary international agriculture and rural development issues



Capitol Hill Forum



Annual Meeting



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