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## Celebrating 20 Years of Empowering Ethiopia's Healthy Future

Through an Ethiopian/Canadian Partnership  
in Global Agriculture and Nutrition

May 25 and May 26, 2017



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### Event Specifics:

**Date:** May 25, 2017  
**Location:** Exeter Room, Marquis Hall, University of Saskatchewan

### Agenda:

**7:30 am** Registration

**8:30 am** Welcome, Introductions

Master of Ceremonies	Rob Norris, Senior Strategist, Office of the Vice-President, Research, University of Saskatchewan
Greetings from University of Saskatchewan	President Peter Stoicheff, University of Saskatchewan
Welcome from Colleges	Dean Kishor Wasan and Dean Mary Buhr, Colleges of Pharmacy and Nutrition, and Agriculture and Bioresources
Greetings from Government of Saskatchewan	MLA, Eric Olauson for Saskatoon University
Greetings from Government of Ethiopia	Her Excellency Birtukan Ayano, Extraordinary and plenipotentiary Ambassador of Ethiopia to Canada
Greetings from Hawassa University	President Ayano Beraso, Hawassa University

**9:10 am** Opening Address **Director General, Louise Holt, Global Affairs Canada**

**9:30 am** **The Partnership between Canada and Ethiopia: Looking Back, 1997-2014**  
Session Chair: Dr. Bruce Coulman, Professor, College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan

Presenters:

9:35 am	Dr. Sheleme Beyene, Principal Investigator, College of Agriculture, Hawassa University "How it all got started: Part One"
9:45 am	Dr. Ahmet R. Mermut, Professor, Harran University, Turkey & Advisor to the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock, Ankara, Turkey "How it all got started: Part Two"
9:55 am	Dr. Mike Grevers, Professor Emeritus, College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan "Capacity building, curricula development for diverse learners"
10:05 am	Dr. Bunyamin Tar'an, Associate Professor, Agri-Food Innovation Chair, College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan "Zinc biofortification of chickpeas: The Ethiopia Story"
10:15 am	Dr. Fran Walley, Professor and Associate Dean (Academic), College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan "Soil bacteria help Ethiopian farmers grow more nutritious and higher yielding crops"
10:25 am	Dr. Hussien Mohammed Beshir, Assistant Professor, College of Agriculture, Hawassa University "A Student's Perspective"

- 10:35 am Hiwoጥ Hailelassie, PhD Candidate, College of Pharmacy and Nutrition, University of Saskatchewan  
"A Student's Perspective"
- 10:45 am BREAK**
- 11:00 am Scaling up Pulse Innovations in Southern Ethiopia: Our Reach, 2015 - Present**  
Session Chair: Dr. Renaud De Plaen, Program Leader, International Development Research Centre (IDRC)
- Presenters:
- 11:00 am Dr. Bob Tyler, Professor and Associate Dean Research and Graduate Studies, College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan  
"Value added nutritious pulse food products; processing/utilization technologies"
- 11:10 am Dr. Susan Whiting, Distinguished Professor, College of Pharmacy and Nutrition, University of Saskatchewan  
"Complementary feedings among infants and young children; from pilot to scale"
- 11:20 am Engidu Legesse, General Manager & Co-Founder, GUTS Agro Industry PLC  
"Nutritious ready-to-eat pulse-based products give confidence to Female Entrepreneur Farmers"
- 11:40 am Bill Brown, Professor, College of Agriculture and Bioresources, University of Saskatchewan  
Yared Sertse, General Manager, Shayashone Trading PLC  
"The economics of pulse-based food systems: What drives the CIFSRF Ethiopia pulse production business model?"
- 11:50 am Dr. Tilahun Amede, Principal Scientist and Country Representative-Ethiopia, Eastern & South Africa Program, International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)  
"Social networks/policy platforms and other communication technologies: Impact on the scaling-up of pulses innovations"
- 12:15 pm LUNCHEON Speaker(s):**
- Dr. Karen Chad, Vice-President Research, University of Saskatchewan  
"Internationalization at the University of Saskatchewan: A Blueprint to Fostering a Globally Aware and Engaged Campus Community"
- Dr. Renaud De Plaen, Program Leader, International Development Research Center (IDRC)  
"Canada's Role in Research that meets Food and Nutrition Security Challenges"
- 1:30 pm Panel Discussion: "Pulses: Valuable in Many Ways"**  
Moderator: Dominic Schofield, Director, Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN Canada)
- Panelist: Pulses and Trade/Prosperity: "Pulses and asynchronous technology approvals—we can grow them, but can we trade them?"**  
Gord Kurbis, Director, Market Access & Trade Policy, Pulse Canada  
The need for cost-competitive, timely access to production technologies and unimpeded access to markets are important issues shared by all farmers. Crop protection products and maximum residue limits (MRLs) are increasingly coming under focus in several key importing countries, resulting in non-tariff trade barriers. What can be done to restore predictability of trade?
- Panelist: "What does climate change mean to the world's poor?"**  
Paul Hagerman, Director of Public Policy, Canadian Foodgrains Bank  
Agriculture production in rain-fed dependent regions is expected to suffer severe water crises. Climate change puts global food security at risk and heightens the danger of under-nutrition in poor economies.
- Panelist: "Empowering Women through Economic Empowerment"**  
Mebratu Yimer, Women's Affairs Advisor to Her Excellency the Minister of Women and Children, Government of Ethiopia
- Panelist: "Increasing plant productivity to meet food security goals: New Frontiers"**  
Dr. Maurice Moloney, Executive Director & CEO, Global Institute for Food Security (GIFS)
- 3:15 pm DISCUSSION

- 3:45 pm**            **BREAK**
- 4:00 pm**            **Building Partnerships and Alliances: Key to Future Success:** Discussion  
*Facilitators: Dominic Schofield, GAIN Canada and Dr. Tesfaye Abebe, Vice President of Research and Technology Transfer, Hawassa University*
- 4:45 pm**            **MoU Signing Ceremony with President Peter Stoicheff**  
*University of Saskatchewan & Hawassa University - President Ayano Beraso  
University of Saskatchewan & GAIN - Director, Dominic Schofield*
- 5:30 pm**            **The Deans' Champagne Reception**  
*Sponsored by the Colleges of Pharmacy and Nutrition & Agriculture and Bioresources  
Marquis Hall Private Dining Room*
- 6:00 pm**            **Welcome & Introductions by Dr. Maurice Moloney, Executive Director & CEO, GIFS / Master of Ceremonies**  
**Reception continues**
- 6:30 pm**            **Blessings by Elder Roland Duquette**  
**Dinner commences**
- 7:30 pm**            **CIFSRF Tributes & Recognitions**  
*Dr. Peter Stoicheff, President, University of Saskatchewan  
Dr. Karen Chad, Vice-President Research, University of Saskatchewan*
- 7:45 pm**            **Entertainment**
- 8:00 pm**            **Closing Thoughts: Dr. Carol Henry, Principal Investigator & Assistant Dean College of Pharmacy and Nutrition,**  
**University of Saskatchewan**



## Special Round Table Meeting “Global Food and Nutrition Security through a Gendered Lens”: Opportunities and Challenges

### Event Specifics:

**Date:** May 26, 2017  
**Location:** Saskatoon Club, 417 21st St E

**Master of Ceremonies:** Rob Norris, Senior Strategist, Office of the Vice-President, Research, University of Saskatchewan

**9:00 am Session I:** **Opening Session – Setting the Scene**  
Facilitator: Dr. Maurice Moloney, Executive Director & CEO, Global Institute for Food Security (GIFS)

**Welcome/Greetings**

**9:10 am** **Greetings, Her Excellency Birtukan Ayano, Extraordinary and plenipotentiary Ambassador of Ethiopia to Canada**  
“Gender Equity and Women’s Empowerment: Priorities of Ethiopia”

**9:20 am** **Greetings, Dr. Annie Wesley, Senior Program Specialist, International Development Research Centre**

**9:30 am Session II:** **Round Table Discussion – Open Session/Discussion**  
Gender Roles in Global Health: Opportunities/Challenges - Setting Targets  
Facilitator: Dr. Diane Martz, Director, International Research and Partnerships

**9:35 am** **Mebratu Yimer, Women’s Affairs Advisor of Her Excellency the Minister of Women and Children, Government of Ethiopia**

**9:50 am** **Drs. Derek Peak & David Natcher:** Nigerian Women Reap Benefits from Indigenous Vegetables

**10:05 am** **Dr. Claire Card:** Ecohealth, Goats, Gender and Governance in Rural Uganda

**10:20 am** **Sarah Zelinski:** Sanitary Napkins Project Helping Ugandan Girls Stay in School

**10:35 am** **Dr. Esayas Gelefa:** A Scaling-up Pulse Innovations Experience in Ethiopia

**10:50 am** **Dr. Pammla Petrucka:** A Maternal Child Health Project in Ngorongoro, Tanzania

**11:10 am** **DISCUSSION**

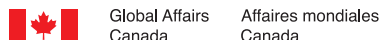
**11:40 pm** **Remarks:** **President Ayano Beraso, Hawassa University**

**11:50 pm** **Closing Remarks:** **Dr. Carol Henry / Dr. Diane Martz**

**12:00 pm** **LUNCH**

**1:30 pm** **Field trip**

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