Thematic Work: Youth & Workforce Development

PARTNERS MEETING
MOUNTAIN LAKE, VA
JUNE 6-7, 2016
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Communications Messaging

- investments in long-term, local human and institutional capacity development are needed
- institutions must develop and implement policies and practices to recruit and retain women
- a diversified, high quality workforce for the agriculture value chain requires strengthening the educational pipeline from primary school to university
- AET curricula must be demand driven and responsive to value chain workforce needs
Contemporary Challenges in AET Series Published

- Developing the Capacity of Middle-Level Tertiary Education in Preparing and Nurturing Young Entrepreneurs in Sub-Saharan Africa by Matt Baker, Texas Tech University
- Review of Research and Practice for Youth Engagement in Agricultural Education and Training Systems by Sarah Eissler and Mark Brennan, The Pennsylvania State University
- Engaging Rural Youth in Entrepreneurship through Extracurricular and Co-curricular Systems by Seth Heinert and T. Grady Roberts, University of Florida
- Modernizing Vocational Technical Schools to Develop a 21st Century Credentialed Work Force by John R. Vreyens and Charles Anderas, The University of Minnesota
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Training Modules

- Entrepreneurship Education Programs in Agriculture Education and Training by Seth Heinert, University of Florida

- Gender Roles and Agricultural Value Chains by Patty Neiner and Anouk Patel, Penn State
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Thematic Studies

- Youth Violence and Citizen Security in Central America’s Northern Triangle by Becky Williams, University of Florida

- Thematic Brief: Rethinking Interventions Addressing Youth Violence in Central America’s Northern Triangle by Becky Williams, University of Florida

- Thematic Brief: Youth Violence and Education-Based Interventions for Citizen Security in Central America’s Northern Triangle by Becky Williams, University of Florida
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Agrilinks

- Blogs
  - Cross-Sector Approach Needed for Violence Mitigation and Development Success in Central America by Becky Williams, University of Florida
  - Gender-based Violence in Central America Requires a Cross-Sector Response by Paige Castellanos, Penn State
  - Violence in Central America: Not Just an Urban Issue by Becky Williams, University of Florida

- Online Panel Discussion
  - Disrupting Development: A Cross-Sector Discussion of Violence in Central America

- Follow-Up Online Chat in Spanish and English
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Case Study

- Capacity Building for Agricultural Technical Vocational Educational and Training (ATVET) Programs in Developing Countries: A Case Study in Nicaragua by Henry Quesada-Pineda, John Ignosh, Breanna Anderson, Virginia Tech
Where do we go from here?

- Arguably, our weakest area as a consortium

- Arguably, one of hottest topics in agriculture development
  - How to interest youth in agriculture
  - Market-driven curricula for workforce development
  - Public-private partnerships for workforce development
  - Youth agri-preneurship education and training
Year 5 Ideas

- Agrilinks series
- Pilot of tools we have
- Pilot of EARTH/FADCANIC training
- Convening on topic of youth and workforce development and education (4-H)
- Others?