

Collaborative Leadership for Regional Economic Development

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Regional economic development requires actions beyond any single sphere of government and beyond any single sector. As such there is no single entity responsible for, or with authority over, regional economic development. Instead it requires skills in collaborative leadership linking spheres, sector and stakeholders together around a common economic agenda.

Value chains provide important opportunities for regional economic development, job creation, economic growth and business development. Agriculture plays a key role in supporting livelihoods; strategic interventions, from both the public and private sector, can provide opportunities to link agricultural activities to higher-value markets and related agro-food value chain activities.

The course provides participants with an introductory grounding in collaborative leadership, in the core issues and key constraints/enablers of value chains, a deepened understanding of the agro-food value chain, and technical skills required in the public sector to understand, manage and grow value chains, with a specific focus on the agro-food value chain.



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