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Located in an attractive park on the banks of the River Po, the Centre's campus provides a congenial environment in which to live and study.

- It contains 21 pavilions with fully equipped modern classrooms, conference halls and meeting rooms fitted out for multilingual simultaneous interpretation, a computer laboratory, and a computerized documentation centre linked to various data banks.

The campus has 287 study/bedrooms, all with private bathrooms, telephones and cable television. It also has:

- a reception desk open 24 hours a day;

- a restaurant, a self-service canteen and a coffee lounge, all catering for international dietary needs;
- a bank;
- a travel agency;
- a laundry service;
- a post office;
- an internet point;
- a recreation room;
- facilities for outdoor and indoor sports;
- an infirmary.

Social events are regularly held both on and off campus, so that participants from different cultural backgrounds can make the most of the stimulating international climate.

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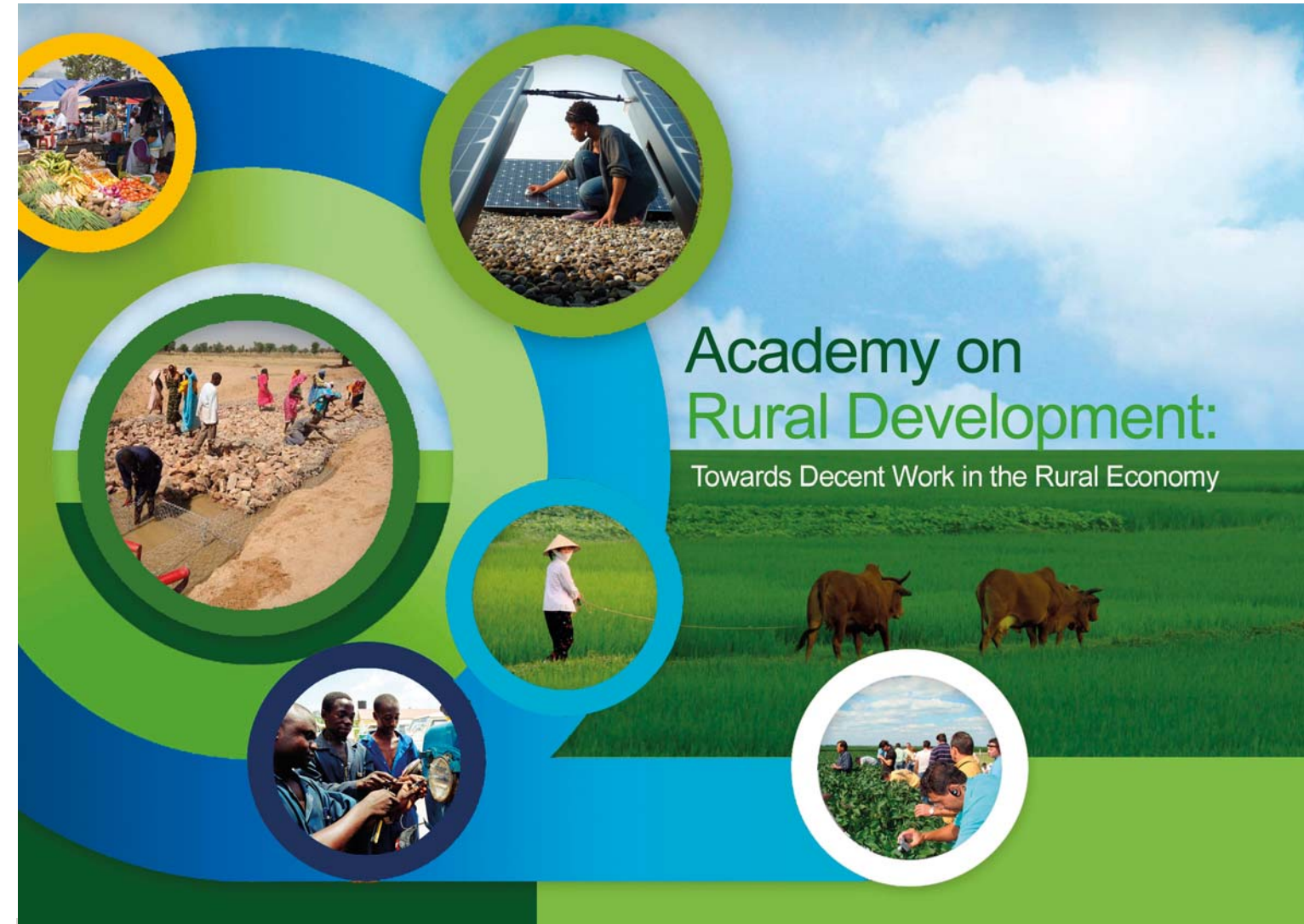
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Background

The ILO estimates that nearly eight out of ten working poor live in rural areas, where many are engaged in vulnerable employment, especially in agriculture. Young people – 85 per cent of whom are living in developing countries and mostly in rural areas – account for a disproportionate share (23.5 per cent) of the working poor.¹ Most child labourers are found in agriculture, accounting for 59 per cent or over 98 million;² forced labour, too, is prevalent in agriculture and remote rural areas. The impact of the gender gap on agricultural productivity is revealing as well. Studies suggest that if women had the same access to productive resources as men, women could raise the overall agricultural output in developing countries by 2.5 to 4 per cent.³

Rural poverty has numerous root causes, ranging from climate change, natural resource degradation, conflict, weak institutions, poor agricultural conditions and trade-related challenges. Rural poverty is a driver of a host of social problems, including hunger and malnutrition, poor working conditions and exploitation of children.

The ILO's approach to rural poverty is to increase the overall resilience of rural communities and their capacity to address such challenges through the Decent Work Agenda.

This approach is based on three main goals:

- increasing the voice of rural people through organization of communities and promotion of rights, standards and social dialogue;
- promoting an employment-based rural development model through diversified livelihoods and better integration in value chains; and
- providing social protection floors which guarantee minimum income and access to basic services in rural economies which are often very vulnerable to external shocks.



Objectives

This Academy provides an opportunity to be exposed to a range of integrated approaches, tools and training packages with the objective to achieve Decent work for all towards sustainable, inclusive and thriving rural economies.

The participants of this Academy will be able to:

- acquire tools and practical methods, successfully designed and tested in other national or regional contexts, and adaptable to their own environment;
- share experiences and knowledge with individuals and/or organizations with common interests in rural development;
- gain a deeper understanding of the roles of policy makers, including workers and employers organisations required for the promotion of integrated rural development.



Who should attend?

The Academy is especially designed for

- ILO's tripartite constituents (government officials, representatives of employers and workers' organizations)
- ILO staff (field offices, projects and headquarters) whose work is related to Rural Economies.

The Academy might also be of interest for policy makers, practitioners and other professionals representing:

- donor agencies and international organizations
- private and social enterprises
- universities and civil society organizations



Structure, methods and contents

The two-week programme consists of a combination of:

- cutting-edge topics presented and discussed in a series of classes facilitated by ILO, other UN Agencies and leading international experts;
- structured knowledge-sharing opportunities, making use of interactive learning methodologies;
- a range of elective workshops offering additional insight into specific subjects, testing tools and training packages;
- study visits to innovative rural initiatives.



Language requirements

The Academy is offered in English, French and Spanish



Participation Costs

€ 3500 including tuition fees, training material, study visits, insurance and board and lodging at the Turin Campus. Travel costs are not included.



How to apply?

For online application, please go to: <http://intranetp.itcilo.org/STF/A908119/en>

For more information on logistics and costs, contact us directly at: rural@itcilo.org

Deadline for registration:
4th September, 2015

1. ILO: *Global Employment Trends 2012: Preventing a deeper job crisis* (Geneva 2012).

2. ILO: *Making progress against child labour: Global estimates and trends, 2010-2012* (Geneva 2013).

3. ADB & FAO: *Gender equality and food security—women's empowerment as a tool against hunger*, Manila, 2013