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In-Country Determinants and Implications of Foreign Land Acquisitions
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Introduction
A range of studies have investigated determinants of foreign land acquisitions (also called Large-scale Foreign Land Acquisitions or Land Grab) at the global level; however, zeroing on within-country factors across communities have not received much attention. In addition, one of the main factors that could influence the decisions of foreign investors to invest in a country is institutions that protect property rights. Recent pattern of investment on land suggests a rather surprising different paradigm where land deals target countries that are not only deemed to have available land but weak institutions. The implications of this phenomenon on socio-economic transformation including pro-poor and inclusive growth agenda of developing countries can be far-reaching, which requires further investigations particularly drawing from country-specific scenarios. Hence, there is the need for an edited collection of articles in this area.

Objective of the Book
Despite the increasing reports across the globe on foreign land acquisitions, little is known regarding what accounts for the variations of such acquisitions within the same country. The proposed book will deepen the understanding of how the features of the target localities can play a role in shaping the processes and the outcomes of land deals in a country. It will provide evidences at the country-level on the determinants of large-scale land acquisitions and help to understand the implications such transactions will percolate on the households and communities in such locations. These could range from economic, sociological to environmental issues that vary within and across countries.

Target Audience
The target audience of the book will comprise policy makers (international and national platforms), academics, researchers and advanced-level students working in various disciplines (e.g. economics, development, sociology, political science, international relations, finance, administration and so on). The civil society will also find the book useful.

Recommended topics include, but not limited to, the following:
1. Foreign land acquisitions and colonial heritage.
2. Foreign land acquisitions, local (traditional) institutions and land conflicts.
3. Foreign land acquisitions, (Un)employment and technology transfer.
4. Foreign land acquisitions, food security and food supply chains.
5. Foreign land acquisitions and the Environment including water and energy.
7. Foreign land acquisitions and agricultural production and export.

Note: Both empirical (using quantitative and qualitative techniques) and theoretical contributions that provide deeper understanding on the issues are welcome. Domestic large-scale land acquisitions with important contributions on what accounts for variations in communities and the varying implications are also welcome.

Submission Procedure
Researchers and practitioners are invited to submit on or before December 19, 2013, a 2-3 page chapter proposal clearly explaining the mission and concerns of the proposed chapter. Authors of accepted proposals will be notified by January 10, 2014 about the status of their proposals and sent chapter the guidelines. Full chapters are expected to be submitted by April 4, 2014. All submitted chapters will be double-blind peer reviewed by 2-3 anonymous reviewers. Contributors may also be requested to serve as reviewers.

Publisher
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Important Dates
December 19, 2013: Proposal Submission Deadline
January 10, 2014: Notification of Acceptance
April 4, 2014: Full Chapter Submission
May 15, 2014: Review Results Returned
July 7, 2014: Final Chapter Submission
August 9, 2014: Final Deadline

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