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## SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION & FOOD SECURITY

*Workshop on dilemmas and knowledge gaps in*

# Urban and periurban agriculture in low-income countries

**12 February 2015, Sunnersta herrgård, Uppsala**

The world-wide migration of rural inhabitants to cities is particularly prominent in Africa and Asia. Rural dwellers moving to cities often bring agricultural practices with them for food security and livelihood reasons. However, there are also downsides related to urban and periurban farming like threats to the public health from zoonotic diseases, sanitary issues and local environmental degradation. This workshop aims to identify dilemmas and gaps in knowledge related to this kind of agricultural practise. Researchers, students, practioners, policymaker and other stakeholders are warmly welcome. For background information check out this report [www.slu.se/slu-global/urban-peri-urban-food-security-report-2014](http://www.slu.se/slu-global/urban-peri-urban-food-security-report-2014)



Pigs in Kampala, Uganda. Photo: Jan Erik Lindberg

### Work shop kick-off presentations

#### **Urban and Periurban agriculture in low income countries – introduction to the pros and cons**

*Professor Ulf Magnusson, SLU Global, Uppsala, theme leader for Urban and Periurban Farming at SLU Global, and has been working close with FAO and the CGIAR. His current research deals with urban and periurban livestock farming in Southeast and Central Asia as well as East Africa.*

#### **Challenges and Opportunities for African Urban Agriculture**

*Dr Diana Lee Smith, Mazingira Institute, Nairobi. African Coordinator for Urban Harvest in the CGIAR 2002-2005 and has co-edited two books and written several articles on urban agriculture. She is based at Mazingira Institute, Nairobi, which hosts the Nairobi and Environs Food Security, Agriculture and Livestock Forum (NEFSALF).*

#### **Livelihood aspects of Urban and periurban farming – an Ugandan perspective**

*Professor Eli Katunguka-Rwakishaya, Kyambogo University, Kampala. Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic Affairs) and Acting Vice Chancellor Kyambogo University since February 2014. He was formerly Director of Research and Graduate Training, Makerere University for nine years, dean of Veterinary Medicine and has written eight books in the field of Animal health and production.*

**Facilitator:** *Thomas Norrby, SLU*

**Venue and time:** Sunnersta Herrgård , Uppsala, 12 February, 09.30 – 16.30

*Limited numbers of participants allowed, registration by 2 February to [global@slu.se](mailto:global@slu.se)*

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