

Socioeconomics of Agriculture

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Stefan Mann: Lecture 4 „ Power in the chain”

The Lecture in one sentence:

Power asymmetries among market actor lead to behavioral asymmetries regarding prices, resource transfer and interaction.

You should, at the end of the lecture

- understand different dimensions of price transmission
- see the relation between power asymmetries and price transmission
- comprehend the complexities of land grabbing/ FDI
- understand the power relations between actors in FDI projects, including NGO's
- be able to define a normative framework on acceptable land investments
- understand the relation between vertical integration and power asymmetries

Further reading:

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