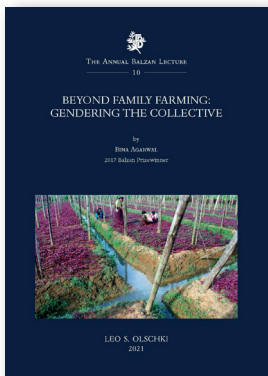


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# BEYOND FAMILY FARMING: GENDERING THE COLLECTIVE

In 2016 the United Nations launched the Sustainable Development Goals as a “universal call to action, to end poverty, protect the planet, and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity.” Among the key elements of these Goals are food security, sustainable livelihoods, and social inclusion. However, little attention has been paid to the institutions needed to deliver these Goals. In the tenth Annual Balzan Lecture, Bina Agarwal, 2017 Balzan Prizewinner for Gender Studies, argues that the



institutional transformation of agriculture is essential for increasing farm productivity, improving farmer welfare, and enhancing gender equality. In particular, she draws attention to the need for a model of farming that transcends the small family farms that dominate agriculture globally. Agarwal has been researching this issue for several years, and her Balzan Prize is funding a research project that further extends this work. The tenth Annual Balzan Lecture presents some aspects of these findings.

*Bina Agarwal, vincitrice del Premio Balzan per i Gender Studies, ci mostra come un modello di agricoltura che ‘superi’ il modello dominante della fattoria “familiare”, possa trasformare le strutture stesse dell’agricoltura, aumentando la produttività della fattoria, migliorando il welfare degli agricoltori e la parità di genere. Il Premio Balzan alla lunga ricerca portata avanti da Agarwal (molti dei quali risultati erano stati già presentati alla decima Annual Balzan Lecture) contribuirà a finanziare un progetto futuro inteso come estensione del presente lavoro.*

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