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G011, Hardiman Research Building, University of Galway, H91 REW4 or online via Zoom, link will be issued in advance of event to registered participants.

Wednesday, May 24, 11:30 - 12:30 (GMT)

The case for farmer cooperation: lessons from India and Europe

Historically, farmers across the world have cooperated in multiple ways, such as for labour sharing, machine purchase, marketing, and even joint farming. Today, however, with highly mechanised farms and globalised markets, is there still a case for farmers cooperating? Potentially, cooperation can still bring scale economies; enable cost reduction and risk spreading; and help farmers adapt to or mitigate climate change, thus promoting sustainable agriculture. What do we find in practice? Moreover, is there a gender angle, especially in developing countries, as more men move to non-farm jobs leaving women managing the farm but with insecure rights to the land they cultivate?

Drawing on her extensive research in India, Europe and beyond, Professor Bina Agarwal will share insights on how cooperation among farmers could prove to be economically and socially beneficial today, not only in developing countries and also in many developed ones, even while the factors driving such cooperation may differ.

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