

# Mongolei-Colloquium

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## **„Cultivation Agriculture of Mongolia: Historical Background, Structure and Problems of Farming“**

The paper primarily deals with the present situation of Mongolian cultivation agriculture during the transformation process from a planned socialist to a capitalist market economy furthermore influenced by economic globalization and global climatic change. It gives a short overview about the physical circumstances for farming concerning climate, soil suitability and water availability. In addition a brief insight into the historical development of farming on the territory of present Mongolia is presented. Major attention is given to the deep reaching changes which took place under Soviet domination during the Socialist period after 1921 (collectivization) and under the conditions of the capitalist market economy after 1990 (privatization).

The presentation is focused on describing and analyzing the structure of Mongolian cultivation agriculture with its successes and problems as a result of the political, socioeconomic, and ecological situation in the past twenty-five years in particular.

Finally it is underlined that cultivation agriculture - although carried out only on 1% of Mongolia's land surface and only contributing a relatively small share to the overall GDP - has a great significance for the rural economy in parts of central, northern and western Mongolia. It not only reduces rural poverty but also plays an important role in providing high quality and healthy farm products not only for the rural but also for a quickly growing urban population. By increasing national food security in Mongolia the farming sector also contributes to more political independency of the country.

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