

Fondazione Giordano Dell'Amore organizes the **International Conference**

***Improving Financial Inclusion of Smallholder Farmers***  
**October 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 - Milan, Italy**

Smallholders generally constitute the vast majority of farmers in most countries, and they account for 60% of global agriculture and provide up to 80% of food in developing countries. Despite their socio-economic importance, smallholder farmers represent the largest share of the developing world's undernourished. Facilitating access to appropriate financial products can improve their productivity, livelihood and food security; reduce risks; smooth cyclical cash flows; and help them manage their farm as a viable business. **Through 3 plenary sessions and 9 workshops, over 30 international speakers will reflect and discuss on the development of microfinance solutions to improve financial inclusion of smallholder farmers.**

The International Conference is associated to the ***Giordano Dell'Amore Microfinance Best Practices International Award 2015***, a EUR 50,000 prize granted by the Foundation to the best initiative promoting financial inclusion of smallholder farmers in a developing country. The winner will be announced during the Conference.

The participation to the Conference is **free of charge** but registration is compulsory.

For information and registration, please visit the Conference website: [www.fgda.org/conference2015](http://www.fgda.org/conference2015)

