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GENETIC RESOURCES, HEALTH & DIALOGUE OF KNOWLEDGES: A VISION FROM THE SOUTH

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When the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (“Earth Summit”) was held in Rio de Janeiro in 1992, there was hope around the possibility of generating benefits for local populations from the innovative use of genetic resources. More than 20 years later, there is enough information to think that the optimism of 1992 was not met. Moreover, current evidence points towards the need of making a drastic change on the approach taken for use of genetic resources. This is particularly true for countries like Bolivia, immensely rich in genetic resources but poor in their access to technology and other important elements needed in this discussion.

Brown Bag lunch
Monday, April 18 @ noon
Biodiversity Institute seminar room
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