LITTLE BEANS, BIG OPPORTUNITIES: Realizing the Potential of Pulses to Meet Today’s Global Health Challenges

The General Assembly of the United Nations’ proclamation of 2016 as the “International Year of Pulses” focuses attention on pulse crops, such as beans, peas, lentils, and chickpeas. This diverse group of staple foods has been cultivated by civilizations across the globe for over 10,000 years. Global activities throughout 2016 will explore the integral role these nutrient-dense foods can play in small-holder sustainable cropping systems and meet the global nutrition and agricultural challenges of our time. This inaugural conference will look at the contribution of pulses in healthy and sustainable diets, examine how pulses can make significant impacts on public health, and explore opportunities for enhancing these benefits broadly through food system innovations. The conference is presented by The Sackler Institute for Nutrition Science and Bush Brothers & Company. Organizing sponsors include the Global Pulse Confederation, American Pulse Association, and Pulse Canada.

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