

Chair Introduction (5 minutes)

Hi my name is Tim Frankenberger and I am the President of TANGO International.

The name of this Session is Resilience and Diversifying Livelihood Risks.

This session will focus on diversifying livelihoods to risk as a resilience building strategy. Evidence will be provided from different contexts on how stepping out and moving out of pastoralism and agriculture into off-farm activities can be an effective approach to managing risk. Diversification will be explored on and off-farm, and in and outside of agriculture. Evidence will also be explored on the importance of migration in its many forms as an adaptive strategy to managing risk.

We are fortunate to have 3 great speakers that make up our Panel. Dan Maxwell from the Feinstein International Center from Tufts University will be our first speaker and we will focus on livelihood diversification in Dryland areas of Africa. Our second speaker will be Nathanael Goldberg, Program Director of Social Protection for Innovations for Poverty Action. He will discuss migration and focus on a study on the use of small travel grants to encourage seasonal migration as a strategy to address income insecurity. Our third speaker is Tanya Boudreau from the Food Economy Group who will be speaking about off-farm income in the Amhara and Tigray regions of Ethiopia and its effect on resilience.

I will try to summarize some of the key takeaways that come out of their presentations.

With the limited time that we have we will take questions after all 3 speakers have made their presentations. Thank you.