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## ***Experiences Introducing the System of Rice Intensification (SRI) to Resource-Limited Farmers in Sierra Leone***

**Gerald Aruna**

**Monday, September 12**

**12:20 - 1:10 PM**

**102 Mann Library**



### ***Refreshments provided***

Gerald Aruna is country director for the Italian NGO, ENGIM Internazionale, affiliated with the St. Joseph Fathers, as well as a vocational agriculture instructor and a practicing farmer based in Lunsar in the Northern Province of Sierra Leone. He first learned about SRI in 2002, and after trying out the ideas and adapting them to local conditions, he began extending the ideas to surrounding communities in 2006.

On his own Gerald developed an illustrated manual based on farmers' SRI experience in Northern Province communities, and he has done SRI training for Catholic Relief Services (CRS). Under the SRI project of the West African Agricultural Productivity Program (WAAPP), he has become an SRI promoter for Sierra Leone. He will discuss the problems, adaptations and impacts associated with SRI use in his country, including working with and through community savings-and-loan groups.

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