The small gods of participation.

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Abstract: Donor agencies, ministries, field-workers and farmers all tend to own meanings to the concepts of "development" and "participation". Using approach towards 2 large-scale irrigation systems in Madagascar (Betsiboka: (Office du Niger), research was carried out over a 4-year period to discover for change were initiated by the dominant actors at and on what levels, at during specific events; what were their motives; and which mechanisms aff participation processes: (1) the local participatory process; (2) the way cont for this occur (including economic liberalization and state disengagement); a developing international debate about participation and state market. The 2
compared with respect to power transfer, liberalization, and how they used knowledge and information. Explanations were given illustrating why the participatory agenda of the projects were hard to implement. It was concluded that the big ideas do not come from donor agencies and their policy guidelines but from powerful project staff who manage to circumvent bureaucratic prescriptions and rules; the so-called "small gods". The structure of the participatory arrangement was often less important than the context such as literacy, project politics, and liberalization policies. KEYWORDS: TROPAG irrigation schemes | self management | interest groups | cooperation | social behavior | social consciousness | policies | decentralization | Central Africa | Madagascar | Madagascar Republic, recommendations, subsaharan Africa, watering

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