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In preparation!

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This book first and foremost targets staff of development organisations and projects directly working with communities, farmers and groups. As part of their main task, they interact frequently with communities. They are interested to learn how their interaction can build on the often more invisible part of culture: values, belief systems and assumptions on how the world is or should be organised. Endogenous development aims at well-being: reducing material as well as social and spiritual poverty.

- Introduction
- Endogenous Development: a summary
- Learning in Endogenous Development: basic approach, methods and learning forms
- Supporting Endogenous Development: an alternative development approach
- Understanding basic principles of cosmovision, local institutions, learning and action
- Facilitating visioning and planning
- Supporting local learning
- Supporting local action
- Strengthening local institutions
- Creating a supportive environment for endogenous development

Each chapter centres around concrete case studies, mostly from Compas partner organisations from Asia, Africa, Latin America and Europe. Each chapter ends with a synthesis of main issues and dilemmas related to learning and training. Suggested learning forms give ideas on how field staff can learn the approach described in the cases. The book will be co-published with IT publishers (UK/India) and will be available early 2007.

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