

# 2016 World Town Planning Day Presentation

Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>

## GROWING LOCAL AGRICULTURE IN THE POST-PLANTATION ERA

### What Roles Can Planners Play?

#### Location:

Hawaii Community Development Authority  
Community Room

547 Queen Street, Honolulu

5 pm Pupus • 6 - 8 pm Program



#### FEATURED SPEAKER

##### Jeffrey Melrose, MURP

*Jeff Melrose has been a land planner in rural Hawaii for over 35 years. He worked as a consultant land planner at PBR in the 80's and spent 20 years as a planner and asset manager for Amfac Hawaii and Kamehameha Schools. He teaches planning at the UH Hilo and is the primary author of both the APA award winning Hawaii County Food Self-Sufficiency Baseline 2011 and the recently released Statewide Agricultural Land Use Baseline 2015 prepared for the Dept. of Agriculture.*

**Please join us for the conversation and celebrate the role of planning in our evolving home.....**

Hawai'i is in the midst of the most profound change in agricultural land use in nearly 200 years. In the last 30 years alone we have lost two-thirds of our intensive agricultural land use, witnessed an historic shattering of agricultural land ownership patterns, and have become embroiled in heated debates about how farmers and ranchers should conduct the business of agriculture in the future. What role does planning play in response?

This presentation features a statewide look at our current agricultural footprint and what it foretells about the shape of agricultural land use in the future. Where does our local food come from and how do we grow more to feed ourselves and to contribute to vibrant rural communities?

#### Commentators:

**Prof. Krisna Suryanata,**  
*Department of Geography*

**Professor Emeritus G.  
Kem Lowry,** *Department of  
Urban and Regional Planning*

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