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I pray for your safe return.

# MEGABIT

## WAITING FOR A RAIN

16:30-18:30

**Aula dottorato - Palazzo Giusso**

The "Megabit" month by the Ethiopian calendar (nearly March) is at the end of the long dry season. The villagers wait for the start of raining. The men do a ritual for rain to till their land. In March 2008 when this Film was taken for two weeks, many young women tried to go to the Middle East for making money. What do they go abroad for? What are they really waiting for?

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