



IATRC
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Program Agenda

Annual Meeting
December 7 - 9, 2008
Scottsdale, Arizona

Theme Day
"Biofuels, Agriculture, and Trade"

Sunday, December 7 - Theme Day: "Biofuels, Agriculture, and Trade"

7:00-8:00	Breakfast	Bouchon
7:30-8:00	Meeting Check-In	Rattlers Foyer
8:00-8:15	Welcome: Ian Sheldon , IATRC Chair and Andersons Prof, Ohio State Univ Theme Day Introduction: Harry de Gorter , Cornell University	Rattlers
8:15-9:15	Chair: Harry de Gorter , Cornell University <i>The Economics of Trade, Biofuels and the Environment</i> David Zilberman , University of California, Berkeley Discussant: Giancarlo Moschini , Iowa State University	
9:15-10:00	Break	Rattlers Foyer
10:00-11:00	Chair: Wyatt Thompson , University of Missouri <i>Biofuels and Global Poverty</i> Thomas W. Hertel , Purdue University Discussant: Will Martin , The World Bank	
11:00-12:00	Chair: Linda Young , Montana State University <i>Biofuels and Global Climate Change</i> Brent Sohngen , The Ohio State University Discussant: Larry Karp , University of California, Berkeley	
12:00-1:30	Lunch with Speaker Joel Velasco , UNICA (Brazilian Sugarcane Industry Association)	Bouchon
1:30-2:30	Chair: Jean-Christophe Bureau , INRA <i>WTO Disciplines and Biofuels</i> Robert L. Howse , New York University Law School Discussant: Tim Josling , Forum for Contemporary Europe	
2:30-3:30	Chair: Ian Sheldon , Ohio State University <i>Biofuel Policies in a Second Best Setting</i> Antonio Bento , Cornell University Discussant: Johan Swinnen , Katholieke Universiteit Leuven	
3:30-3:45	Break	Rattlers Foyer
3:45-5:00	Panel Discussion Chairs: Ian Sheldon , Ohio State University Theme Day Speakers Aziz Elbehri , FAO-UN Tassos Haniotis , European Commission	
7:00-8:00	Reception	Bouchon

Monday, December 8

7:30-8:30 **Breakfast** Bouchon

8:30-10:00 **Parallel Sessions ONE thru THREE**

Session 1 THE 2008 FARM BILL IN WTO PERSPECTIVE Rattlers

Chair: **Tom Wahl**, North Dakota State University

The Political Economy of Post-Uruguay Round U.S. Farm Policy

David Orden, IFPRI, **David Blandford**, Penn State Univ,

and **Tim Josling**, Forum for Contemporary Europe

ACRE and SURE in the U.S. Farm Bill

Carl Zulauf, Ohio State University

Discussion Opener: **Carol Goodloe**, Office of the Chief Economist, USDA

Session 2 ANALYSIS OF BIOFUEL POLICIES Flagstaff A

Chair: **Thomas Heckelei**, University of Bonn

Measuring the "Subsidy" Component of Biofuel Tax Credits and Exemptions

Harry de Gorter, **David R. Just** and **Erika M. Kliauga**, Cornell Univ

Mandate Economics Applied to US Biofuel Policies

Wyatt Thompson, **Seth Meyer**, and **Pat Westhoff**, Univ of Missouri

Biofuel Support Policies: An Economic Assessment

Martin von Lampe, and **Pete Liapis**, OECD

Session 3 ANALYSIS OF COMMODITY TRADE POLICIES Flagstaff B

Chair: **Harald Grethe**, Honenheim University

EU Agricultural Trade Liberalization with Asian Countries

David Abler, Pennsylvania State University, **Martin Banse**, LEI,

Wageningen University, and **Federica Santuccio**, European

Commission, Inst for Prospective Technological Studies

China's Evolving Agricultural and Trade Policies in Recent Years:

Impacts on Domestic and Global Agricultural Commodity Markets

Jim Hansen, **Francis Tuan**, **Fred Gale**, **Agapi Somwaru** and **Ralph**

Seeley, USDA/ERS (Presented by **Brian Lohmar**, USDA/ERS)

Commodity Trade Analysis in a General Equilibrium Framework:

BSE Restrictions

Marinos Tsigas, **John Giamalva**, and

Joseph Kowalski, US Int'l Trade Comm

10:00-10:30 **Break** Rattlers Foyer

10:30-12:30 **DISSERTATION REPORTS** Rattlers

Chair: **Ian Sheldon**, Ohio State University

Non-Tariff Barriers and Technology: Trade and Welfare Implications

Lia Nogueira, Washington State University

The Future of the World Sugar Market. A Spatial Price Equilibrium Analysis

Stephan Nolte, Ghent University

Three Essays on the Economics of Food Traceability

Sébastien Pouliot, University of California, Davis

Biofuels, Feed, and the Livestock Industry: A Global Analysis

Jayson Beckman, USDA/ERS

12:30-2:00	Lunch	Bouchon
2:00-3:30	IATRC Business Meeting	Rattlers
3:30-4:00	Break	Rattlers Foyer
4:00-5:30	Parallel Sessions FOUR thru SIX	
<i>Session 4</i>	<p>DISCUSSION GROUP: POLICY PRIORITIES IN THE NEW AGRICULTURAL/ENERGY MARKET ENVIRONMENT</p> <p>Organizer/Moderator: William H. Meyers, University of Missouri</p> <p>Discussion Openers:</p> <p><i>Developed and Developing Country Exporters</i> Tim Josling, Forum for Contemporary Europe</p> <p><i>Developed and Middle Income Developing Country Importers</i> Kym Anderson, The World Bank</p> <p><i>Low Income, Food Importing Countries</i> Alex McCalla, University of California, Davis</p>	Rattlers
<i>Session 5</i>	<p>IMPACTS OF BIO-ENERGY MARKET DEVELOPMENTS AND POLICIES</p> <p>Chair: Lars Brink, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada</p> <p><i>Impacts of High Energy Prices in the Canadian Agricultural Economy</i> Maury E. Bredahl, Univ of Guelph, Randy Wigle, Wilfred Laurier Univ</p> <p><i>Bioenergy Development and Food Security: A Global CGE Application to Peru, Tanzania and Thailand</i> Aziz Elbehri, FAO, Robert McDougall, Purdue University, Piero Conforti, FAO, Mark Horridge, Monash University</p> <p><i>The Impact of Bioethanol Policy on Agricultural Crop Acreage Allocation</i> Youngjae Lee, and P. Lynn Kennedy, Louisiana State University</p>	Flagstaff A
<i>Session 6</i>	<p>EXCHANGE RATES AND FARM COMPETITIVENESS</p> <p>Chair: Won W. Koo, North Dakota State University</p> <p><i>Exchange Rate Treatment in Agricultural Trade Models: Evidence from Cointegration Analysis</i> Rakhal Sarker, University of Guelph, Jose Luis Jaramillo Villanueva, Colegio de Postgraduados en Ciencias Agricolas</p> <p><i>Exchange Rates and Farmland Values</i> Jeff Reimer, Oregon State University</p> <p><i>Risk Aversion and Farm Competitiveness</i> Jesús Antón, OECD, Wyatt Thompson, University of Missouri</p>	Flagstaff B

Tuesday, December 9

7:30-8:30 **Breakfast** Bouchon

8:30-10:00 **Parallel Sessions SEVEN thru NINE**

Session 7 THE IMPACT OF INSTITUTIONAL REFORM AND POLITICAL ECONOMY ON THE CHOICE OF AGRICULTURAL POLICIES Rattlers

Organizers: **Alessandro Olper**, University of Milano and **Johan Swinnen**, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Democracy and Agricultural Protection: An Empirical Analysis

Alessandro Olper, University of Milano

The Perfect Storm: The Political Economy of the 2003 Reform of the Common Agricultural Policy

Johan Swinnen, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Explaining Inefficient Policy Instrument Choices

Harry de Gorter, Cornell University

Session 8 BIOFUELS: MODELLING ISSUES AND MARKET DESTABILISATION IMPACTS Flagstaff A
Chair: **Pete Liapis**, OECD

Second Thoughts on Modeling the Effects of U.S. Bio-Fuel Policies on Commodity and Energy Markets

C. S. Kim, **Glenn Schaible** and **Stan Daberkow**, USDA/ERS/RRED

Modeling Biofuels: Global Production and Trade Implications

May Peters, **Agapi Somwaru**, **Richard Stillman**, **Jim Hansen**, **David Kelch**, and **Ralph Seely**, USDA/ERS

On the Destabilisation Effects of Biofuels: The Contributions of Instruments and Market Forces

Alexandre Gohin, INRA/Agrocampus Rennes/CEPII, **Jean-Christophe Bureau**, CEPII/Agro-Paris, and Tech, and **David Tréguer**, INRA

Session 9 WTO POLICIES AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES Flagstaff B
Chair: **Silvia Miranda**, University of Sao Paulo

Poverty Implications of Special Product Treatment of Key Food Items in the Phillipines

Caesar B. Cororaton, Virginia Tech, **Erwin Corong**, MTID/IFPRI

What Turns WTO Members into Complainants and Defendants? – The Determinants of WTO Disputes in the Agro-Food Sector

Christian Goetz, and **Thomas Heckelei**, University of Bonn

A Special Safeguard Mechanism for Developing Countries

John Wainio, **Anita Regmi**, and **Ralph Seeley**, USDA/ERS

10:00-10:30 **Break** Rattlers Foyer

10:30-12:00 **PLENARY SESSION**

Session 10 THE WORLD BANK'S DISTORTIONS TO AGRICULTURAL INCENTIVES PROJECT Rattlers

Organizer/Moderator: **Kym Anderson**, The World Bank

Five Decades of Global Distortions to Agricultural Incentives

Kym Anderson, The World Bank

The Political Economy of Distortions to Agricultural Incentives

Johan Swinnen, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

The Inequality and Poverty Effects of Distortions to Agricultural Incentives

Will Martin, The World Bank

12:00-1:00	Lunch	Bouchon
1:00-3:30	Parallel Sessions ELEVEN thru THIRTEEN	
Session 11	WTO SHADOW DOMESTIC SUPPORT NOTIFICATIONS: FILLING IN THE GAPS AND FUTURE PROJECTIONS Organizer: David Orden , IFPRI <i>Overview of Project and Issues</i> David Orden , IFPRI <i>Market Price Support in the WTO Aggregate Measurement of Support</i> Lars Brink , Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada <i>Assessments for Select Developed and Developing Countries:</i> European Union, Tim Josling , Forum for Contemporary Europe United States, David Blandford , Pennsylvania State University Norway, Erling Vardal , University of Bergen, Norway Philippines, Caesar Cororaton , Virginia Tech	Flagstaff A
Session 12	BIOFUELS: ECONOMICS OF PRODUCTION Chair: TBA <i>Economics of Cultivating Cynara cardunculus: An Alternative Case for Bio-energy Production in Areas Facing Shortages of Water</i> Nicholas G. Danalatos and George Vlontzos , University of Thessaly <i>Financial Feasibility of Growing Jatropha for Bio-diesel Production in Sri Lanka</i> Menaka Herath , Jeevika Weerahewa , DKNP Pushpakumara and LW Galagedara , University of Peradeniya	Flagstaff B
Session 13	ISSUES IN TRADE ANALYSIS Chair: Donna Roberts , USDA/ERS <i>How important is the Extensive Margin in Agricultural Trade?</i> Pete Liapis , OECD <i>Trade Preference Index</i> Maria Cipollina and Luca Salvatici , University of Molise <i>Stockholding in the Post-Surplus Era – Impacts and Problems</i> Christine Wieck , University of Bonn <i>Measuring Water in the Tariff: Dairy Products in Canada</i> Rick Barichello and Lejiu Zhang , University of British Columbia <i>An Empirical Examination of US Border Inspections for Non-indigenous Species: Protectionist versus Risk</i> Chad Lawley , University of Maryland	Rattlers
3.30 pm	Adjourn	

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General Meeting Organizer: **Thomas Heckeley**, University of Bonn

Theme Day Organizers: **Harry deGorter**, Cornell University and **Ian Sheldon** Ohio State University

Meeting Arrangements: **Charli Hochsprung**, Washington State Univ and **Laura Bipes**, Univ of Minnesota

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