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International symposium, 27-28-29 November, 2006
Venue : Crédit agricole S.A, 91-93 boulevard Pasteur, Paris 15^e

Three days for reflecting on the future of agricultural policies

What future framework for agricultural policies in Europe and developing countries?

In the near future, agriculture will face many changes, in the European Union, as well as in developing countries. Indeed, 50 years after the signing of the Treaty of Rome in 1957, the EU is about to launch a new period of reflection on future reform of the common agricultural policy (CAP). Similarly, 30 years after the Lomé agreement in 1975, the Economic Partnership Agreements (EPA) are about to establish new rules of trade between the EU and the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries. These two perspectives announce the need for a reexamination of how agricultural markets have been regulated since the middle of the 20th century.

Notre Europe and FARM are collaborating on the project: « *What future framework for agricultural policies in Europe and developing countries?* », with the participation of Pluriagri. Recent changes require a future restructuring of the foundations of the CAP and the creation of a sustainable relation between the EU and the ACP countries.

The project is organised in two parts: the 2006 symposium will develop a general assessment of the state of agricultural policies and this assessment will lead to the formulation of policy recommendations in 2007.

The scheduled symposium which will run from 27 to 29 November 2006 and will study the mid-term market projections and the factors that could modify the world supply and demand balance of agricultural goods.

These economic and technical analyses will be complemented by an exploration of attitudes of contemporary European societies towards agriculture and nutrition. Finally, the issue of solidarity between the EU and the ACP countries will be discussed in the light of new agricultural policies of the ACP countries and new initiatives of professionals from the North and South, enabling ACP countries to benefit from the EPA, which are intended to take effect on 1st January 2008.

This symposium is intended for experts, professionals and researchers from developing countries and the EU. The contributors will be researchers, economists, decision-makers and professionals from various backgrounds: regional, national, EU institutions, international organisations (FAO, World Bank), and the private sector. *Notre Europe* and FARM invite you to note the dates and venue of the symposium and to pre- register at the address below.

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**Monday 27
November**

Morning

Mid-term market projections

Presented by **Pluriagri**

What are the projections concerning world agricultural prices in ten years? What will be the impact of non-food demand?

**Monday 27
November**

Afternoon

World agricultural supply and demand: possible changes and their consequences for European agriculture

Presented by **Notre Europe**

What environmental, economic and technical evolutions could significantly modify the balance of world agricultural markets?

« 1st session. How will world demand for food develop? »

« 2nd session. Physical constraints and technological development: possible impact on the supply of agricultural products »

**Tuesday 28th
November**

Morning

Attitudes of contemporary European societies towards agriculture and nutrition

Presented by **Notre Europe**

How do Europeans construct their collective choices with regard to agriculture? What sociological evolutions could significantly influence the future of agricultural policy?

European Union / Africa, Caribbean, Pacific: EPA and regional markets

Presented by **FARM**

How could the EU-ACP solidarity be rethought in the new framework of the EPA? What are the opportunities to build sustainable regional policies for the South?

**Tuesday 28th
November**

Afternoon

« 1st session. A new situation: assessment and impact studies. What are the new opportunities for the ACP countries? »

**Tuesday 29th
November**

Morning

« 2nd session. What choices for national and international public policies for the ACP countries, and for the private sector? »

Afternoon

« 3rd session. What results the various stakeholders expect from the negotiations? »

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