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

*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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

**MONDAY NOVEMBER 27, 2006**

**8.30-9.30 am**

**Welcome**

**9.30-9.45 am**

**Introduction of the symposium**

*René Carron*, President, Credit Agricole S.A., France  
*Xavier Beulin*, Vice-president of Fédération Nationale des Syndicats d'Exploitants Agricoles (FNSEA - National federation of farmers trade unions), President of Sofiprotéol

### **Session 1**

#### **Mid-term markets perspectives**

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**Chair:** *Eric Lainé*, President, Pluriagri

**Session moderator :** *Jean-Christophe Debar*, Director of Pluriagri, France

**10.00-10.45 am**

**Perspectives for the world markets of arable crops**

**Contribution 1 : Grain and oilseeds markets**

*Catherine Benjamin*, Research Director, in charge of the project World Econometric Modelling of Arable Crops (WEMAC), National Institute of Agricultural Research (INRA), Rennes, France

**10.45-11.30 am**

**Contribution 2 : Sugar and bioethanol markets**

*Dr. Jacinto F. Fabiosa*, Technical Director, Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (FAPRI), Iowa State University, Ames, USA

**11.30-12.45 am**

**Consequences of world market changes for French producers of arable crops – Round table and floor discussion**

- *Eric Lainé*, farmer, President, Pluriagri, France
- *Christoph Büren*, Secretary, French Wheat Producers Association (AGPB)
- A representative of French corn producers (to be confirmed)
- *Xavier Beulin*, President, French federation of oilseeds and protein crops
- *Catherine Benjamin* Research director, Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (INRA – National institute of agricultural research), Rennes, France
- *Dr. Jacinto F. Fabiosa*, Technical director, Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (FAPRI), Ames, USA

**12.45-2.30 pm**

**LUNCH**

### **SESSION 2**

**WORLD AGRICULTURAL SUPPLY AND DEMAND: POSSIBLE CHANGES AND THEIR CONSEQUENCES FOR EUROPEAN**

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**2.30-4.00 pm**

**1<sup>st</sup> Panel - Future trends on world supply and demand for agricultural goods: what can be expected?**

**Moderator :** *Pierre Rainelli*, Notre Europe

**Contribution: Nutrition in Developing countries: perspectives in Africa and lessons from the Asian case-studies**

*Michiel Keyzer*, Professor and Director, Centre for World Food Studies (SOW-VU), Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam (Netherlands)  
*Max Merbis*, Economist; Centre for World Food Studies (SOW-VU)

**Contribution: Competition between food and non-food uses**

*Joseph Schmidhuber*, Dr. Senior Economist, Food and Agriculture Organization of United Nations (FAO)

**Discussant:** *Michel Griffon*, Agronomist and economist, CIRAD (Centre for International Co-operation in Agronomic Research for Development)

**4.05-5.00 pm**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Panel - Technological developments: assessment of the impact on the supply of agricultural products**

**Moderator:** *Marion Guillou*, President and Director General of INRA (French National Institute for Agronomic Research)

**Contribution: Bioenergies**

Expert, Congressional Research Service, USA (to be confirmed)

**Contribution: Genetic Modified Organisms**

*Marc Van Montagu*, Prof. Em., Chairman of the Institute Plant Biotechnology for Developing Countries - Department of Molecular Genetics – Ghent University- Belgium

**Discussant:** *Paul Colonna*, Pysico-chemist, Department chief, INRA Nantes-France (to be confirmed)

**Discussant:** *Xavier Leprince*, Deputy Director General in charge of operations, Syngenta France

**5.00-5.30 pm**

**Floor discussion**

**5.30-6.00 pm**

**Summary**

*Professor Jean-Christophe Bureau*, Professor, Institut National Agronomique Paris-Grignon (INA P-G) ; Institute for International Integration Studies, Trinity College Dublin ; Centre d'Etudes Prospectives et d'Informations Internationales (CEPII), Notre Europe, Paris

**Concluding remarks**

*Jerzy Bogdan Plewa*, DG A. Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission (to be confirmed)

**TUESDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2006**

**SESSION 3**

**AGRICULTURE AND EUROPEAN SOCIETIES IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY**

**ORGANIZED BY NOTRE EUROPE**

**Moderator :** *Pierre Lepetit*, vice-president, Notre Europe

<b>8.30-9.00 am</b>	<b>Welcome</b>
<b>9.00-9.15 am</b>	<b>Introduction</b> <i>Henri Nallet</i> , Former French Minister of Agriculture
<b>9.15-10.15 am</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Panel - Urbanity and evolution in relation to food, territory and the environment</b>  <b>Contribution: New determinants in the relation between urbans and agriculture Speaker: Case-study on contemporary Germany</b> <i>Clemens Discherl</i> , Sociologist, University of Nürtingen  <b>Contribution: Agriculture and agro-food system in a urbanization / tertiarization model</b> <i>Jean Louis Rastoin</i> , Professor, Economist and agronomist, Agro. Montpellier, Director UMR Moisa, France  <b>Floor discussion</b>
<b>10.15-11.15 am</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Panel - Changes in Central and Eastern European societies</b>  <b>Contribution: Consumer behaviour in Central and Eastern Europe</b> <i>Zoltan Lakner</i> , Department of Agricultural Economics and Food, University of Corvinus, Budapest  <b>Contribution: The role of peasants in contemporary Polish society</b> <i>Maria Halamska</i> , Sociologist, University of Warsaw, Polish Academy of Sciences  <b>Floor discussion</b>
<b>11.15-12.15 am</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Panel - Which territorial and cultural dynamics for European agriculture in the 21<sup>st</sup> century?</b>  <b>Contribution: Bertrand Hervieu</b> , Secretary General, ICAMAS (International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies), France  <b>Discussant: Jean Pierre Vercruysse</b> , European Association for Information on Local Development, Coordinator « European Citizens panels », Belgium  <b>Floor discussion</b>
<b>12.15-1.00 pm</b>	<b>Discussion</b> <i>Franz Fischler</i> , President Forum Eco-social Europe, Former European Commissioner for agriculture and rural development, Austria <i>David Baldock</i> , Director, Institute for European Environmental Policy, UK

**1.00-2.20 pm**

**LUNCH**

**SESSION 4**

**ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS: WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS FACING DEVELOPING NATIONS?**

**ORGANIZED BY FARM**

This session aims at sharing information, definitions, and the results of impact studies. Studies based on quantitative modelling will be generated especially for the seminar in order to evaluate the trade and tariff dimensions of cotton production using an introductory approach to modelling analysis. A critical survey of impact studies, a regional case study and a look at what's at stake from the South's point of view will also serve as basis for debate.

**The discussion will aim at identifying the policy alternatives which developing nations face.**

**2.20-2.40 pm** | **From the Lomé Accords to Cotonou : some historical perspective**  
*Edgar Pisani*, former French minister and European Commissioner

**Session moderator: Thiendou Niang**, Director, Réseau d'expertise des Politiques Agricoles (REPA – Network of expertise on agricultural policies), Senegal

**2.40-2.50 pm** | **Welcome and program presentation**  
*Bernard Bachelier*, Director, Foundation for world agriculture and rural life (FARM), Paris, France

**2.50-3.00 pm** | **Progress report of the negotiations and consequences of the suspension of the Doha round on the EPA negotiations**  
*Sanoussi Bilal*, Programme Coordinator, European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM), Maastricht, Netherlands

**3.00-3.10 pm** | **Stakes and options concerning sensitive farming products**  
*Bénédicte Hermelin*, Coordinator of the unit Public policies and international regulations, Groupe de Recherche et d'Echanges Technologiques (GRET - Group of Research and Technological Exchanges), Paris, France, synthesis prepared with *Benoît Faivre-Dupaigre*, Coordinator of the Unit Agricultural policies and rural, Institut de Recherches et d'Applications des Méthodes de développement (IRAM - Institute of Research and Application of development methods), Paris, France, and *Vincent Ribier*, Economist, Centre de Coopération Internationale en Recherche Agronomique pour le Développement (CIRAD - Centre of international cooperation for agronomic research for development), Nogent-sur-Marne, France

**3.10-3.20 pm** | **The Common External Tariffs (CET) of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and their consequences on regional integration and EPA negotiations**  
*Bio Goura Soulé*, Director, Laboratoire d'Analyse Régionale et d'Expertise Sociale (LARES – Laboratory of regional analysis and social expertise), Benin

**3.20-3.30 pm** | **EPA, obstacles and stakes for regional integration of Communauté Economique et Monétaire de l'Afrique Centrale (CEMAC)**

*Jean-Christophe Boungou Bazika*, Researcher, Centre d'études et de recherche sur les analyses et politiques économiques (Studies and research centre on public policies and analysis), University Marien Ngouabi, Congo

**3.30-4.15 pm**

**Floor discussion**

**4.15-4.40 pm**

**Break**

**4.40-5.10 pm**

**Impact analysis of trade and tariffs in partial equilibrium :** a new study by Centre d'Etudes Prospectives et d'Informations Internationales (CEPII - Centre for exploratory studies and international information), Paris, France  
*David Laborde*, Economist, CEPII

**5.10-6.00 pm**

**Round table : What are the options facing developing nation?**  
**Président :** *Jean-Paul Bethèze*, Chief economist, Crédit Agricole S.A., France

- *Lionel Fontagné*, Economist, Centre d'Etudes Prospectives et d'Informations Internationales (CEPII), Paris, France
- *Mathias Busse*, Economist, Hamburg Institute of International Economics, Germany
- *Emmanuel Douya*, Economist, university of Yaoundé, Cameroon
- *Hélène Fiagan*, ACP Secretariat
- *Isabelle Garzon*, Unit B.1, DG Development, European commission
- *Saliou Sarr*, Coordinator for Senegal, Réseau des Organisations Paysannes et des Producteurs Agricoles de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (ROPPA - Network of Agricultural Organizations and Producers of West Africa)
- *Jean-Luc Senou*, representative of Economic Community Of West African States (ECOWAS)

**6.00-6.30 pm**

**Floor discussion**

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 29, 2006**

#### **SESSION 5**

**ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS: NON-TARIFF MARKET REGULATIONS**

**ORGANIZED BY FARM**

**Session moderator :** *Jean-Yves Grosclaude*, Director rural development, Agence Française de Développement (AFD – French Agency for development)

**9.30-9.45 am**

**Norms as means of non-tariff distortion**  
*Anne Célia Disdier*, Researcher, Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (INRA – National Institute for Agronomic research), Paris, France, Centre d'Etudes Prospectives et d'Informations Internationales (CEPII - Centre for exploratory studies and international information), joint analysis with *Lionel Fontagné*, Economist, CEPII, Paris, France

**9.45-10.00 am**

**Urban consumption and regional integration in ACP countries**  
*Nicolas Bricas*, Head of the unit Norms and regulation of agricultural markets, Centre de Coopération Internationale en Recherche Agronomique

pour le Développement (CIRAD - Centre of international cooperation for agronomic research for development), Montpellier, France

**10.00-10.15 am**

**Norms as element conducive to intra-regional trade**  
*Noro Andriamamonjirison*, Hermes Conseil, Antananarivo, Madagascar

**10.15-10.30 am**

**Other non-tariff means to regulate agricultural markets**  
*Yamar Mbodj*, Agriculture advisor, Economic Community Of West African States (ECOWAS) (to be confirmed)

**10.30-11.00 am**

**Floor discussion**

**11.00-11.30 am**

**Break**

**11.30-12.30 am**

**Round table :**

- *Marie-Andrée Tall*, President, Association Afrique agro-export (AAFEX)
- *Antonio Onorati*, President, Crocevia, Italy (to be confirmed)
- *Mouslim Maiga*, Director of food safety, Department of rural development and environment, Economic Community Of West African States (ECOWAS)
- *Amadou Guiro*, General director, Institut des Technologies Alimentaires (ITA – Institute for food technologies), Senegal
- Representative of agro-industry

**12.30-2.00 pm**

**LUNCH**

#### **Session 6**

**Economic Partnership Agreements : What are the expectations for the results of negotiations?**

**ORGANIZED BY FARM**

**Président de séance :** *Christian de Boissieu*, President, Conseil d'Analyse Economique (CAE) and Conseil de Prospective Européenne et Internationale pour l'Agriculture et l'Alimentation (COPEIAA)

**2.00-2.30 pm**

**Introductory Exposés**

- *Ibrahim Assane Mayaki*, Executive director, Hub for rural development in Western and central Africa, Senegal
- *Erik Orsenna* of Académie française, Deputy president of the board of directors of FARM, Foundation for world agriculture and rural life

**2.30-3.30 pm**

**Round table**

- *Ndiogou Fall*, Réseau des Organisations Paysannes et des Producteurs Agricoles de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (ROPPA - Network of Agricultural Organizations and Producers of West Africa)
- *Jean Michel Lemétayer*, President, Fédération Nationale des Syndicats d'Exploitants Agricoles (FNSEA - National federation of farmers trade unions)
- *Mamadou Diop*, Minister of trade, Senegal
- *Ibrahim Bocar Ba*, ambassador of Mali in Brussels

- *Claude Maerten*, Head of unit C.2, DG Trade, European Commission
- Representative of United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

**3.30-4.00 pm**

**Floor discussion**

**4.00-4.30 pm**

**Break**

**4.30-5.30 pm**

**Closing session**

- *Madan Murlidhar Dooloo*, Minister of foreign affairs, international trade and cooperation, Mauritius
- *Bernard Petit*, Deputy Director-General for Development, European Commission
- *Soumaila Cissé*, President, Commission of Economic Community Of West African States (ECOWAS)
- *Dominique Bussereau*, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, France