OECD-FAO Agricultural Outlook
The Collaborative Process

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The Products

- Baseline 10-year projections for:
  - cereals, oilseeds, sugar, meat, fish, dairy, biofuels
  - prices, production, domestic use, trade, stocks
  - country and regional level disaggregation
- Comprehensive model with policy representation
- Annual report on trends, driving forces, issues
- Database, model access, in-country training
- Scenario analysis – market drivers, policies

Collaborator Questionnaire

Who: sent to Australia, Argentina, Brazil, Canada, European Commission, Japan, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, Russia, Switzerland, USA

What: historical updates, domestic price, production, use, trade projections, policy changes

When: sent end October for return beginning December (if possible)

OECD Group on Commodity Markets

Who: OECD and FAO market analysts, country collaborators, private sector (IGC, IMS, ISO), academic experts

What: 2 day discussion of baseline projections, main outlook messages, draft special issues feature (fish baseline/messages sent to OECD Fish Committee)

When: normally end of March in Paris (OECD) or in Rome (FAO) – for 2012: March 29-30 in Rome

OECD Working Group on Agricultural Policies and Markets

Who: OECD-FAO outlook report authors, OECD country delegates, observer countries, private sector organisations

What: half-day review of full draft outlook report with a focus on overview, executive summary, main messages

When: normally end of May in Paris (OECD) – for 2012: 30 May (report circulated 2-3 weeks in advance)

Aglink-Cosimo User Group

Who: OECD-FAO outlook team, Aglink-Cosimo users, subject specialists (futures markets, computer software, academic experts)

What: 2 day review of model developments, areas for improvement and priority setting; 2012 issues – stochastic model, feed system, fish module, software

When: normally at year end in Paris (OECD), early December for 2012?

World Outlook Conference

Who: market analysts and modellers from international organisations, national ministries/agencies and academic institutions (networking)

What: 2 day discussion of different baseline projections, current issues (financial crisis, mkt volatility, biofuels), new research results, areas for collaboration

When: annual event, generally mid-May, hosted by country (Canada for 2012) with rotating responsibility for agenda (FAO for 2012); China for 2013?