

## Agenda

### GLOBAL FORUM ON AGRICULTURE

#### POLICY DEVELOPMENTS IN NON-MEMBER ECONOMIES<sup>1</sup>

20-21 November 2006, Paris

Room F Franqueville

OECD Headquarters, 2 rue André-Pascal, 75016 Paris

#### Background

The OECD Global Forum on Agriculture is a regular event bringing together OECD countries and non-member economies to share experiences on how policies can more effectively achieve stated government objectives. The November 2006 Forum is a unique opportunity to discuss agricultural policy developments in Brazil, China, South Africa, India, Russia, Ukraine, Bulgaria and Romania, representing some 45% of the world's population and one-third of the world's agricultural output.

Country reports, including updated estimates of agricultural support, will be presented by the Secretariat and discussed with country experts and government officials. Country representatives will provide comments on expected future directions of agricultural policy reform. After the forum, this material will be revised based on comments received by 1 December and published in a monitoring of agricultural policies report in early 2007. This monitoring of agricultural policies and the Global Forum itself are in part supported by grants from the European Commission and the World Bank.

In addition, the Forum will discuss the lessons learned from past reforms in developing and OECD countries as well as current market prospects and trade issues. A special session will focus on the latest developments and new activities by the OECD, the World Bank and the FAO in the measurement and interpretation of agricultural support.

Agenda updates, list of participants, Forum papers and other related information will be posted when available at: <http://www.oecd.org/agr/meet/apnme> (**Login:** *meetings*; **Password:** *apnme*). To facilitate a good discussion, Forum participants are encouraged to review the papers in advance of the meeting.

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1. Interpretation in English, French and Russian will be available.

**Monday, 20 November 2006**

<b>10:00-10:30</b>	<p><b>Introduction</b>  <b>Welcome and opening remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neil Fraser, Global Forum Chair</li> <li>• Richard Hecklinger, Deputy Secretary-General, OECD</li> </ul>
<b>10:30-13:00</b>	<p align="center"><b><u>SESSION I: Policy Reforms and Market Prospects</u></b></p>
<p><i>This session will first address the lessons learned from OECD analysis of past policy reforms. It will then examine some of the main market and trade developments influencing future policy decisions in developing countries.</i></p>	
<p><b>Lessons from OECD Policy Reforms:</b> Carmel Cahill, Head of Policies, Trade and Adjustment Division, OECD/AGR</p>	
<p><b>Lessons from Non-OECD Policy Reforms:</b> Wayne Jones, Head of Agricultural Policies in Non-Member Economies Division, OECD/AGR</p>	
<p><b>Main Trends and Issues in the Medium Term Outlook for Agriculture:</b> Loek Boonekamp, Head of Trade and Markets Division, OECD/AGR</p>	
<p><b>WTO/DDA Developments:</b> John Finn, Counsellor, WTO</p>	
<b>15:00-18:00</b>	<p align="center"><b><u>SESSION II: Country Reports – Brazil, China, South Africa, India</u></b></p>
<p><i>The OECD Secretariat will present the country reports updating policy developments, followed in each case by a presentation by a country representative offering a more forward-looking view of agricultural policy reforms.</i></p>	
<p><b>Brazil report:</b> Jonathan Brooks, Agricultural Policies in Non-Member Economies Division, OECD/AGR</p>	
<p><b>Policy prospects:</b> Edilson Guimaraes, Secretary of Agricultural Policy, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply, Brazil</p>	
<p><b>China report:</b> Andrzej Kwiecinski, Agricultural Policies in Non-Member Economies Division, OECD/AGR</p>	
<p><b>Policy prospects:</b> Guoqiang Cheng, Deputy Director-General, Institute of Market Economy, Development Research Center of the State Council, China</p>	
<p><b>South Africa report:</b> Vaclav Vojtech, Policies and Environment Division, OECD/AGR</p>	
<p><b>Policy prospects:</b> Masiphula Mbongwa, Director-General, South African National Department of Agriculture, South Africa</p>	
<p><b>India report:</b> Morvarid Bagherzadeh, Agricultural Policies in Non-Member Economies Division, OECD/AGR</p>	
<p><b>Policy prospects:</b> Raghav Das Gaiha, Professor, University of Delhi, India</p>	
<b>18:00-20:00</b>	<p align="center"><b><i>Evening Reception (George Marshall Room)</i></b></p>

**Tuesday, 21 November 2006**

**10:00-13:00**

**SESSION III: Country Reports – Russia, Ukraine, Bulgaria, Romania**

*The OECD Secretariat will present the country reports updating policy developments, followed in each case by a presentation by a country representative offering a more forward-looking view of agricultural policy reforms.*

**Russia report:** Olga Melyukhina, Agricultural Policies in Non-Member Economies Division, OECD/AGR

**Policy prospects:** Elena Fastova, Director of the Department of Finance and Accounts, Ministry of Agriculture, Russia

**Ukraine report:** Andrzej Kwiecinski, Agricultural Policies in Non-Member Economies Division, OECD/AGR

**Policy prospects:** Mykhailo Rudenko, Head of the Department of Foreign Economic Relations, Ministry of Agricultural Policy of Ukraine

**Bulgaria report:** Catherine Moreddu, Policies, Trade and Adjustment Division, OECD/AGR

**Policy prospects:** Miroslava Georgieva, Director, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Bulgaria

**Romania report:** Catherine Moreddu, Policies, Trade and Adjustment Division, OECD/AGR

**Policy prospects:** Toma Adrian Dinu, General Director of Agri-Food Strategies, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Development, Romania

**15:00-17:30**

**SESSION IV: Measuring Agricultural Support**

*This session will provide participants with an overview of different initiatives towards better measurement and understanding of agricultural support.*

**Recent Developments in the OECD Producer Support Estimates:** Wilfrid Legg, Head of Policies and Environment Division, OECD/AGR

**Measurement of Agricultural Support in Non-OECD Economies:** Olga Melyukhina, Agricultural Policies in Non-Member Economies Division, OECD/AGR

**Distortions to Agricultural Incentives:** Kym Anderson, Lead Economist, International Trade Unit, World Bank

**Agricultural Policy Indicators:** Merritt Cluff, Senior Officer, Commodity and Trade Division, FAO

**17:30-18:00**

**Wrap-up**

- Ken Ash, Deputy Director, Directorate for Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, OECD
- Neil Fraser, Global Forum Chair