

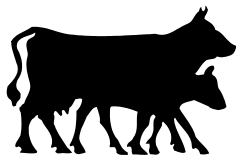


The XXX International Conference of Agricultural Economists

28 July – 2 August 2018

Vancouver, Canada

New Landscapes and New Mandates for Agriculture



COWBELL



YOUR CONFERENCE BULLETIN

Issue # 3

Tuesday 31 July 2018



In this issue

IAAE and the Farm Foundation	2
Dining with the fishes! Offsite dinner tonight.....	2
Tours! Check your departure time!.....	3
From Member to Member.....	3
Joke of the day	8

IAAE and the Farm Foundation

For much of the time since its founding in 1929, the IAAE has had two stable homes. One of these was at Oxford University, UK. Leonard Elmhirst, the first President of IAAE, had close links with Oxford University and with John Maxton who was on the staff of the Oxford Agricultural Economics Institute. In 1934, Elmhirst arranged for Maxton to be engaged by the Trustees of the Dartington Hall Estate to “develop the work of the Conference” and went on “to establish the Institute of Agrarian Affairs with Maxton as its Director” (Raeburn and Jones, 1990, p.132). From then on, until the untimely death of George Peters in 2001, Oxford University provided the principal Editor of all Conference Proceedings and many other inputs into IAAE’s work. From 1938 to 1955, Jock Currie of the Research Department at Dartington Hall, and with close contacts to Oxford University, was IAAE’s first Secretary-Treasurer, serving from 1938 to 1955.

The second home, and the business address of IAAE since 1955, has been the Farm Foundation in Chicago. One of the participants in the first IAAE International Conference in 1929 was Henry C. Taylor, then Chief of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics in Washington D.C. The Farm Foundation was

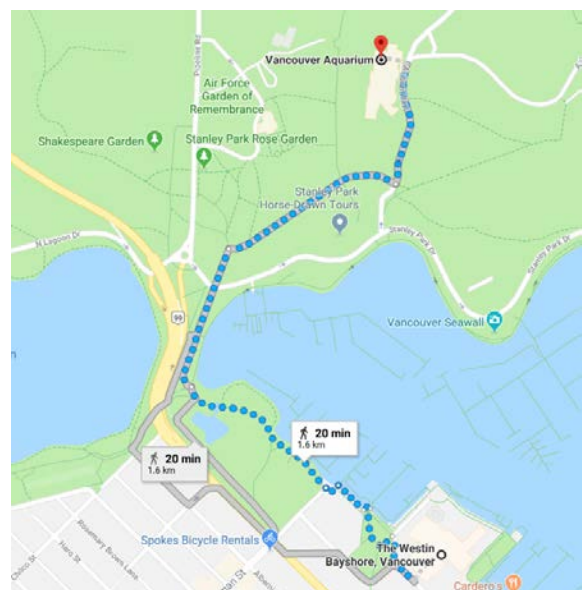
established in 1933 by Alexander Legge and Frank O. Lowden, and provided with substantial endowments by them. Henry C. Taylor became its first Managing Director in 1935, carrying with him an involvement in IAAE and international agricultural economics. In 1955 H.C.M. Case at the Farm Foundation picked up the baton of Secretary- Treasurer from Jock Curry at the Dartington Hall Estate. The Farm Foundation has supplied IAAE with its Secretary-Treasurers continuously since then, a contribution which has represented a very significant amount of in-kind support, made possible by a sympathy of aims between the two organizations. After Case, Joseph Ackerman, the Managing Director of the Farm Foundation became IAAE’s Secretary-Treasurer until his death in 1976. His successor Jim Hildreth became Secretary-Treasurer in 1976, and in turn passed the baton to the President of the Farm Foundation, Walt Armbruster who served as Secretary-Treasurer from 1991 to 2012.

David Colman, IAAE Newsletter February 2008

Dining with the fishes! Offsite dinner tonight

Just a quick reminder that tonight’s offsite dinner will take place at the Vancouver Aquarium situated in Stanley park. This is a scenic 20-minute walk from The Westin Bayshore.

If you would rather take a bus, you should be in the Westin lobby at 19h00 since the busses are schedules to depart at 19h10.



Tours! Check your departure time!

The busses for the tours will depart from 10h00 from the Westin Bayshore Hotel. Please check the back of your nametag for your tour and make sure you meet the ICAE volunteer for your group in the Westin lobby prior to the departure time of your tour. The schedule is as follow:

Name	Bus #	Time of departure
Electricity Resource Management Tour	Bus 13A	10:00-10:20
Recreational Resource Investment Tour	Bus 14	10:00-10:20
University/Federal Government Dairy Research Center	Bus 2A	10:00-10:20
University/Federal Government Dairy Research Center	Bus 2B	10:00-10:20
Multiple Use Resource Management, Tour 2, Whistler Resort Municipality Operations	Bus 12	10:00-10:20
Whistler Community Forest	Bus 9	10:20-10:40
Multiple Use Resource Management, Tour 1, Sea-to-Sky Gondola	Bus 11A	10:20-10:40
Multiple Use Resource Management, Tour 1, Sea-to-Sky Gondola	Bus 11B	10:20-10:40
Electricity Resource Management Tour	Bus 13B	10:20-10:40
First Nations and Resource Development Tour	Bus 15	10:20-10:40
UBC Research Forest, Maple Ridge (Golden Ears Mountain)	Bus 8	10:40-11:00
Small Fruit Farm Tours, Central Fraser Valley	Bus 3A	10:40-11:00
Small Fruit Farm Tours, Central Fraser Valley	Bus 3B	10:40-11:00
Artisanal Farm Production Tour in Central Fraser Valley	Bus 5	10:40-11:00
Greenhouse Farms	Bus 4	10:40-11:00
Winery Tours, Fraser Valley	Bus 6A	11:00-11:20
Winery Tours, Fraser Valley	Bus 6B	11:00-11:20
Fisheries Tour, Steveston Harbour Authority Local Fish Market	Bus 10A	11:00-11:20
Fisheries Tour, Steveston Harbour Authority Local Fish Market	Bus 10B	11:00-11:20
Microbrewery Tours	Bus 7A	11:00-11:20
Microbrewery Tours	Bus 7B	11:00-11:20
Vancouver Harbour Boat Tour	/	12:00

Vancouver Harbour Boat Tour Meeting point: Lobby of the Westin Bayshore at 12:00.

Lunch: Packed lunches will be provided on the bus for all tours, exception for delegates who have opted for the harbour tour who should pick up their lunch outside of the Westin Bayshore between 11:00 and 11:30. Please note that the lunch should be eaten before boarding the boat since it is not authorized to bring food on board.

From Member to Member

The last pages of the daily Cowbell is the place for exchanging ideas, distributing information and communicating with members. If you want to organize an ad-hoc discussion group or a reunion, or communicate other things to the conference attendants, just let us know and it will be published in the next day's Cowbell!

Email your notices for the Cowbell to jancg@sun.ac.za by 14h00 (2pm) of the day before publication.



Is your thesis or dissertation in AgEcon Search yet?

We welcome you to include it. Stop by the booth to find out the details or e-mail us at aesearch@umn.edu. AgEcon Search has a growing collection dating back to the 1950s.

IAMO Forum 2019

FORUM 2019
JUNE 26-28
SMALL FARMS IN TRANSITION

Small farms in transition: How to stimulate inclusive growth?

26 – 28 June 2019 | Halle (Saale) | Germany



Farms below two hectares produce one third of global food supply. Furthermore, these farms form an important element in securing social stability in rural areas of many European and Asian transition economies. The role of small farms as an engine of agricultural growth, a reserve employment source and a social safety net varies depending on a country's context. In the poorer countries of the region, these small farms still represent a major element of rural life. However, their future is uncertain among others due to a low interest in farming of the younger generation and because they are excluded from almost all agricultural policy instruments. Instead of public policies that benefit a broader agricultural population, most governments implement selective measures benefiting medium-size and large farms. Against this background, the conference will address the important challenges: How and via which channels does a country's general economic development trigger down to small farms? What is the role of small farms in agricultural growth in transition economies? How to enable small farms to take part in technological development and access innovations? Which forms of cooperation would be beneficial for these farms and which ones are accepted by them? How can small farms navigate dysfunctional institutional environment and successfully compete with larger counterparts? Which policies increase welfare and are able to benefit small farms and rural households? Finally, which factors explain the large-farm bias of agricultural policies?

The IAMO Forum 2019 focuses on the interlinkages between small farm development as well as agricultural and public policies. The drivers and consequences will be debated from a social sciences perspective, including economics, political sciences, sociology, anthropology and history. We welcome submissions of papers addressing the following issues with a regional focus on Europe, Central Asia and China:

- Role of small farms for agricultural growth, food security and resilience

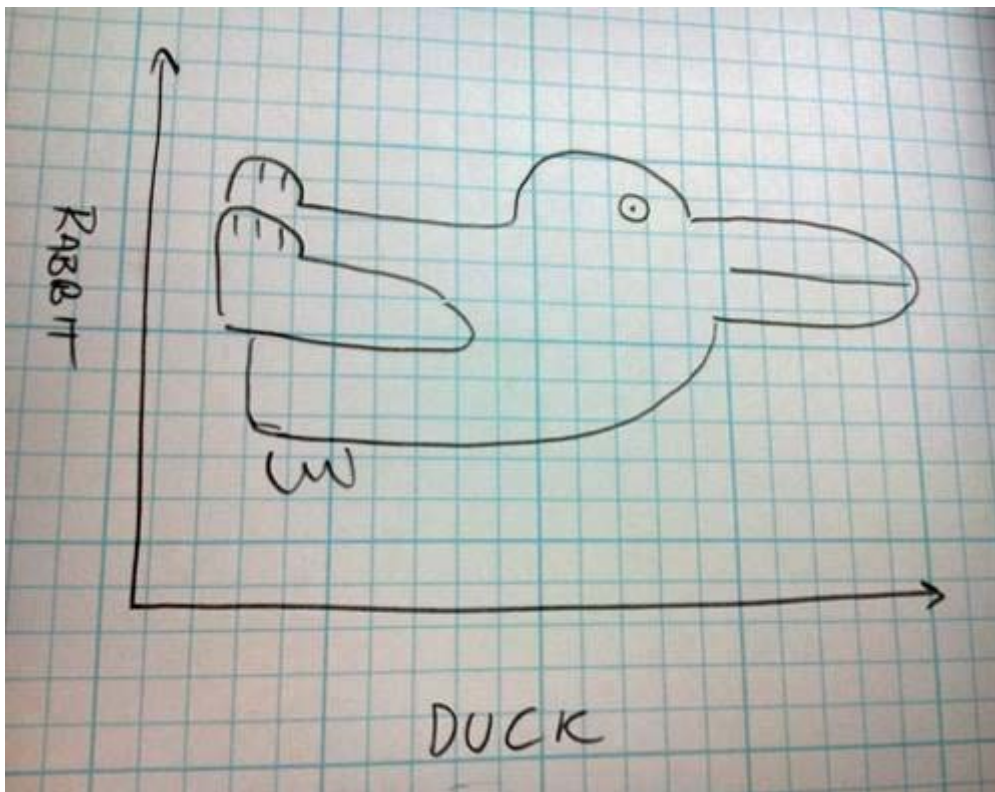
- Public policies promoting competitiveness of small farms and enabling livelihood strategies of rural households
- Political economy of agricultural and pro-poor public policies
- Commercialization and smallholder participation in value chains
- Role of corruption and informality for small farms
- Interaction between corporate agribusiness and small farms
- New forms of cooperation in rural areas
- Allocation of land and tenure security
- Access to production inputs and finance
- Role of women in small farm development and income diversification

More information about the IAMO Forum 2019 will soon be available at: www.iamo.de/forum/2019.

Organising committee: Nodir Djanibekov, Thomas Herzfeld, Vasyl Kvartiuk,
Judith Möllers, Martin Petrick and Axel Wolz

Contact: Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development
in Transition Economies (IAMO)
Theodor-Lieser-Str. 2 | 06120 Halle (Saale),
Germany
Tel.: +49 345 2928-101 | forum2019@iamo.de

iamo
Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development
in Transition Economies



Relax with a discount massage at the Westin Visa Spa

All delegates are eligible for a 15% discount on all 60 or 90-minute Vida Massages and Facials (not valid on RMT Massages) at the Westin. You should quote IAAE or ICAE to receive this discount.



Transforming Rural Africa

NBER Research Conference -- Call for Papers

February 28 – March 1, 2019

Sub-Saharan Africa is in the early stages of agricultural productivity growth and structural transformation. Agriculture's share of GDP and of employment have declined in recent decades across the continent and uptake of modern agricultural inputs has expanded along with rural communications and transport infrastructure, though slowly and unevenly. These trends have vast implications for the continent, especially for the region's poorest individuals, who are concentrated in rural regions and most of whom base their livelihoods in agriculture. Given that the World Bank projects 80% of the world's extreme poor will be in sub-Saharan Africa by 2030, the transformation of rural Africa is of tremendous global importance.

Africa's structural transformation process has, to date, largely involved its still-low-productivity agricultural sector, and it has tended towards non-tradable services. This pattern stands in contrast to the structural transformation in many countries on other continents, which involved a move toward manufacturing. The African trajectory risks high urban poverty and growing rural-urban inequality. Inequality has indeed increased in about half of sub-Saharan African countries, and the extent of the increase is strongly associated with the degree of urbanization. How can policy promote a transformation with broad and inclusive benefits? Policy levers that influence the nature of the transformation include instruments that influence the expansion of the non-tradeable service sector vis-à-vis manufacturing, as well as instruments that bolster productivity growth and stability of the smallholder agricultural sector.

To explore the determinants of structural transformation and the impact of various policies on it, the NBER will host a research conference in Cambridge, MA, on February 28-March 1, 2019. This conference is made possible by the generous support of the African Development Bank (AfDB). The conference will bring together researchers who offer a range of perspectives on the structural transformation underway in rural Africa, and will especially emphasize micro-scale evidence from households and firms. Suitable research topics include, but are not limited to, electrification, raising agricultural productivity, industrialization, increasing transportation infrastructure and regional connectedness, gender inequality, rural access to finance and factors that influence the quality of life for African people.

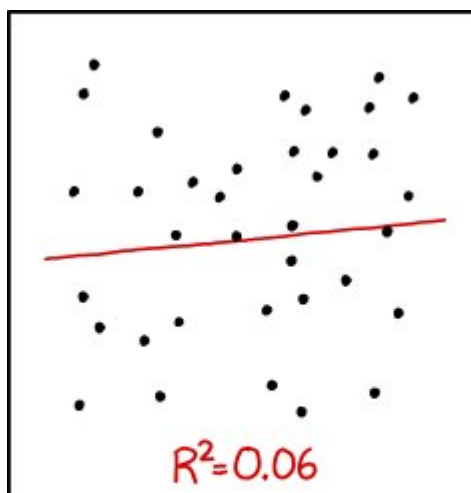
The conference will be organized by Chris Barrett (Cornell), Michael Carter (UC-Davis and NBER), Hanan Morsy (AfDB), Abebe Shimeles (AfDB), Tavneet Suri (MIT and NBER), and Chris Udry (Northwestern and NBER). In keeping with the constraints that apply to all NBER research, papers and presentations may not include any policy recommendations or normative statements. Papers presented at the conference will be eligible for distribution through the NBER working paper series. Presenters will need to provide an executive summary of up to 1000 words prior to the conference.

Researchers are invited to submit their papers through the [NBER website](#) no later than midnight EDT on Thursday, November 1, 2018. Authors must provide a complete paper to be considered for the conference; abstracts will not be considered. Proposers with and without NBER affiliations are welcome. Papers by researchers from Africa-based institutions, early career scholars, and from researchers from groups that are under-represented in the economics profession are especially encouraged. Decisions about which papers will be included on the program will be announced in early December, 2018.

	<p><i>6th AAE Conference</i> <i>23 – 26 September 2019</i> <i>Sheraton Hotel, Abuja, Nigeria</i></p>	
 6TH AAE CONFERENCE 23 – 26 SEPTEMBER 2019 SHERATON HOTEL - ABUJA, NIGERIA	IMPORTANT DATES	
<p>Rising to Meet Evolving Challenges: Africa's Agricultural Development Beyond 2020 Vision www.aaae2019.info</p>	ITEM	DATE
	First Call for Papers	30 July 2018
	Second Call for Papers	28 August 2018
	Final Call for Papers	28 September 2018
	Website open for submissions of contributions	20 November 2018
	Submission of Proposals for Symposia	08 December 2018
 	SUBMISSIONS DEADLINE for all contributions	07 March 2019
	Early Bird Registration Opens	04 April 2019
	Notification of Acceptance of Papers	06 June 2019
 	Early Bird Registration Deadline	20 June 2019
	Presenting Authors Registration Deadline	18 July 2019
	Deadline for Revised Papers Submissions	22 July 2019
	6th AAE Conference, Abuja, Nigeria	23-26 September 2019

Joke of the day

"IT HAS LONG BEEN KNOWN"	I didn't look up the original reference.
"A DEFINITE TREND IS EVIDENT"	The data are practically meaningless.
"WHILE IT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE DEFINITE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS"	An unsuccessful experiment, but I still hope to get it published.
"THREE OF THE SAMPLES WERE CHOSEN FOR DETAILED STUDY"	The other results didn't make any sense.
"TYPICAL RESULTS ARE SHOWN"	This is the prettiest graph.
"THESE RESULTS WILL BE IN A SUBSEQUENT REPORT"	I might get around to this sometime, if published/funded.
"A CAREFUL ANALYSIS OF OBTAINED DATA"	Three pages of notes were obliterated when I knocked over a glass of beer.
"AFTER ADDITIONAL STUDY BY MY COLLEAGUES"	They didn't understand it, either.
"THANKS ARE DUE TO JOE BLOTZ FOR ASSISTANCE WITH THE EXPERIMENT AND TO CINDY ADAMS FOR VALUABLE DISCUSSIONS"	Mr. Blotz did the work and Ms. Adams explained to me what it meant.
"A HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT AREA FOR EXPLORATORY STUDY"	A totally useless topic selected by my committee.
"IN MY EXPERIENCE"	Once
"IN CASE AFTER CASE"	Twice
"IN A SERIES OF CASES"	Three times
"IT IS BELIEVED THAT"	I think.
"IT IS GENERALLY BELIEVED THAT"	A couple of others think so, too.
"CORRECT WITHIN AN ORDER OF MAGNITUDE"	Wrong.
"ACCORDING TO STATISTICAL ANALYSIS"	Rumor has it.
"IT IS CLEAR THAT MUCH ADDITIONAL WORK WILL BE REQUIRED BEFORE A COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF THIS PHENOMENON OCCURS"	I don't understand.
"A STATISTICALLY-ORIENTED PROJECTION OF THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THESE FINDINGS"	A wild guess.
"IT IS HOPED THAT THIS STUDY WILL STIMULATE FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS IN THIS FIELD"	I quit.



I DON'T TRUST LINEAR REGRESSIONS WHEN IT'S HARDER TO GUESS THE DIRECTION OF THE CORRELATION FROM THE SCATTER PLOT THAN TO FIND NEW CONSTELLATIONS ON IT.

NOVEMBER 28-30, 2018
BANGKOK, THAILAND



ACCELERATING THE END OF HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION

— A GLOBAL EVENT —

www.IFPRI-FAOBangkokConference.org

NOVEMBER 28–30, 2018
BANGKOK, THAILAND



ACCELERATING THE END OF HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION

— A GLOBAL EVENT —

IMPROVING FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION IS CRITICAL TO MEETING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS, BUT THE WORLD IS NOT ON TRACK TO END HUNGER AND MALNUTRITION BY 2030. How can we accelerate progress

in transforming our agri-food systems to meet the needs of the hungry and malnourished? This global learning event will bring together decision makers, practitioners, researchers, and other stakeholders from around the world to:

- *highlight success stories and lessons learned*
- *explore new ideas and innovations to disrupt business-as-usual*
- *identify opportunities to scale up successful actions*
- *catalyze cross-sectoral learning and cooperation*

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR
and JOIN US IN BANGKOK!**

Contact us at IFPRI-FAOBangkokConference@cgiar.org
www.IFPRI-FAOBangkokConference.org

Photo: Sven Torfinn/Panos



INTERNATIONAL
FOOD POLICY
RESEARCH
INSTITUTE

COMPACT
2025



Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations

UNITED NATIONS DECADE OF
ACTION ON NUTRITION
2016-2025

Working for **#ZeroHunger**