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XXII International Conference Of Agricultural Economists

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XXIII Conference in 1997

On Tuesday evening, the Council of the IAAE recommended that the next Conference be held in Sacramento, California, USA in early August 1997. While exact dates have not been established for the XXIII Conference, please mark your calendars now. It promises to be a superb site offering many opportunities to explore California agriculture, tourist sites and the University of California Davis. This Conference will follow the joint US/Canada association meetings (AAEA/ CAEFMS) to be held in Toronto, Canada 27-30 July 1997.

The Council also received with pleasure the expressions of interest to hold the XXIV Conference in year 2000 from the German and UK delegations.

Redefining the Roles of European Agriculture

This is the theme of the next European Congress of Agricultural Economists, which is to be held in Edinburgh, Scotland, from 3-7 September 1996.

Call at the Edinburgh Desk in the reception area and register your interest in attending.

Program Update

Please don't forget to check the addendum to the Program for additions and revisions to the original printed program. This addendum is found in Issue #6 of the *Cowbell*.

Take note that the **Synoptic Address** and the **Conference Closing** is from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Main Auditorium on **Monday 29 August**. We look forward to seeing you there for the wrap-up of the XXII ICAE in Harare.

Author Update

Please note that on Sunday 28 August the Contributed Paper Session 14 from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. has a change in authorship on one of its papers.

CP14-3 "Technology Development for Semi-Arid Sub-Saharan Africa: Theory, Performance and Constraints"

John H. Sanders

Sander Ramaswamy

Barry I. Shapiro

Sponsorship for the Eastern and Southern Africa Session

The Zimbabwe Organizing Committee (ZOC), through a grant sourced from the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), sponsored 23 agricultural economists from Ethiopia (4), Kenya (13), South Africa (1), Tanzania (2), Uganda (2) and Zambia (1) to travel and participate in this Conference. The grant covered airfares, subsistence, IAAE membership and registration for the Conference.

The USAID Harare Office gave a grant for printing papers submitted for the Session.

NORAD-Harare gave the ZOC a grant to cover registration for 20 Zimbabwe participants.

The Zimbabwe Organizing Committee is very grateful for this support that enabled members of the profession from the region to participate in this Conference.

Letters of Appreciation from Award Recipients

Rockefeller Foundation - Awards to Individuals from Africa

Letters should be directed to:

Dr. Robert W. Herdt, Director
Agricultural Sciences
Rockefeller Foundation
420 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10018-2702
FAX: 1-212-764-3468

Ford Foundation - Awards to Individuals from Central and Eastern Europe, Latin America

Letters should be addressed to:

Dr. E. Walter Coward
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The Ford Foundation
320 East 43rd Street
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Japan Branch, IAAE and Keidanren (Japan Federation of Economic Organizations) - Awards to individuals from Asia

Letters should be directed to:

Professor Teruo Wada, President
The Agricultural Economics Society of Japan
University of Tokyo
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Tokyo 113, JAPAN

or

Dr. Michio Kanai, Representative
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NOTICE

Delegates from the SADC countries are invited for a group photography at 1:00 p.m. Sunday 28 August. Please congregate outside the Conference Centre entrance. For further information, please contact Godfrey Mudimu.

IAAE Council Meeting

This is to remind all members of the IAAE Council that the second meeting of the Conference is Sunday 28 August at 5:30 p.m. in Room G-17.

Discussion Groups/Minisymposia

Organizers, Chairpersons and/or Rapporteurs are reminded to:

1. Correct the list of participants for their group and hand it in to the Discussion Group Desk;
2. Provide a written summary (1000 words or less) of their group discussion, for printing in the next IAAE Members Bulletin; or
3. Inform the Discussion Group Organizer if the report will be forwarded later.

These materials should be turned in by 2:00 p.m. on Monday August 29.

Summaries prepared later should be mailed or faxed to:

Larry Sivers
Room 4132, South Agriculture Building
USDA/NASS
Washington, D.C.
20250 U.S.A.

FAX: 202-720-0506

Thank you very much to participants and everyone involved with the conduct of the discussion groups/minisymposia.

Larry Sivers, DG Organizer

The Second Conference of Asian Agricultural Economists

1996

Indonesia has been chosen to host the second Conference of Asian Agricultural Economists in August 1996 and looks forward to welcoming you to the Conference with the theme "*Structural Transformation, Sustainable Development and Policy Alternatives for Asian Agriculture*".

If you need further information regarding this conference please contact:

Dr. Seong-Kwae Park
ASAE Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
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4-102 Hoegi-dong, Dongdaemoon-ku
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Last Call for Cowbell Contributions

If you have anything to be announced in the Cowbell, this is your last chance! Please drop any articles off in Room G-23 of the Conference Centre before 1:00 p.m. Sunday 28 August. Thank you.

Walter J. Armbruster, IAAE Secretary Treasurer

Walter J. Armbruster became Secretary-Treasurer of IAAE when his predecessor and colleague at the Farm Foundation, R. J. Hildreth, retired at the close of the Conference in Japan in 1991. Hildreth served from 1973-1991 and provided much of the institutional memory for the Association as well as serving in this key capacity for 18 years.

Armbruster is Managing Director of the Farm Foundation and the office of that Foundation also serves as the business office of IAAE. As Managing Director he is the chief executive officer of this non-profit, privately endowed foundation. It serves as catalyst, facilitator and stimulator of research and education on managerial and policy issues related to agriculture and rural communities.

Immediately prior to joining the Farm Foundation, Armbruster was staff economist, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA. Before that he was an agricultural economist in the Economic Research Service, USDA, conducting research on marketing institutions and policies. Armbruster received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Purdue University and a PhD in agricultural economics from Oregon State University.

Besides serving as Secretary-Treasurer of IAAE he is Vice President for Finance of the American Agricultural Economics Association Foundation; Chairman of the Council of Food, Agriculture and Resource Economics; President of the Chicago Farmers; Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Farm-City Council; and a member of the Food and Agricultural Committee of the National Planning Association. Armbruster has served on numerous regional research and extension committees of the land-grant university system, professional association committees and advisory committees.

IAAE XXII Conference Evaluation Questionnaire

A questionnaire was distributed as a supplement to Issue #5 of the *Cowbell* on Friday 26 August. It would be very much appreciated if participants could complete this form and return it to the box at the Registration Desk in the Conference Centre before they leave the Conference. Thank you.

Saburo Yamada, Member of IAAE Executive Committee

Saburo Yamada was elected as a member of the IAAE Executive Committee in 1991. He served as Secretary and chief contact person for the Japanese Organizing Committee for the IAAE meetings in Tokyo.

He is now a Professor at Nihon University in Tokyo and Executive Director of the International Development Center of Japan.

Yamada started his distinguished career in agricultural economics at the University of Tokyo where he completed his undergraduate and graduate degrees in 1957 and 1962. He was immediately employed there as a research associate and was made Professor of Agricultural Economics, the Institute of Oriental Culture, the University of Tokyo, in 1976. His primary fields of interest have been in the economics of agricultural development in Japan and other Asian countries. He became a Professor Emeritus of the University of Tokyo in 1992.

Dr. Yamada has been a member of IAAE since 1962 at the time he completed his PhD. He presented an invited paper on growth and equity issues at the Jakarta Conference in 1982. He was Vice President of the Japan Society of Agricultural Economics, 1990-91. From 1976-92 he was a member of the Executive Committee of the Association of Asian Economists and Political Scientists.

Like most academics, Yamada is widely published. His most recent book in Japanese is *Comparative Analysis of Agricultural Development in Asia*, University of Tokyo Press, 1992. His two most recent books in English are *Agricultural Development in Japan, A Century's Perspective* (with Yujiro Hayami) University of Tokyo Press, 1991 and *Japanese Agriculture, A Comparative Analysis* (with C. L. J. van der Meer) Routledge Press, 1989. For many of us who attended the 1991 Conference in Tokyo Yamada will be best remembered for his hard work on the Japanese Organizing Committee and his ability to solve any and all problems there as they arose.

Contributed Paper Session Authors, Discussion Openers and Rapporteurs

Please turn in your revised papers (if applicable), discussion opener remarks and rapporteur's reports to the IAAE Executive Office, Room G-23, within 24 hours of your session. There is no guarantee that these items will appear in the published proceedings if not turned in by then.

Latin American and Caribbean Association of Agricultural Economists

The Latin American and Caribbean Association of Agricultural Economists (ALACEA) is a regional organization of agricultural economists, professionals from related fields, and others interested in agricultural economics. Its objectives are:

- To encourage the application of agricultural economics in improving the situation of the environment and the economic and social conditions of the rural population and rural communities, promoting the sound use of natural resources and increasing the competitiveness of the sector.

- To foster the generation of knowledge in the discipline of agricultural economics.

- To facilitate communication and the exchange of information among professionals and others concerned with rural well-being in Latin America and the Caribbean.

History

ALACEA was founded in Mexico City in July 1987 by participants from the 24 countries attending the Second Latin American and Caribbean Congress on Agricultural Economics. It holds its regular triennial meeting one year in advance of the Conference of IAAE. Three of the conferences of IAAE have been held in Latin America: Mexico in 1961, Brazil in 1973, and Argentina in 1988. The four regional conferences of ALACEA were held in Sao Paulo, Brazil in 1984, Mexico City in 1987, Cartagena de Indias, Colombia in 1990, and Vina del Mar, Chile in 1993.

The fifth conference will be held in San Jose, Costa Rica in 1996. ALACEA promotes the formation and consolidation of national and sub-regional associations of agricultural economists. It maintains ties with the American Association of Agricultural Economists and the International Association of Agricultural Economists.

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