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General Information

Dates and venue

The seminar will be held from Wednesday, 5 July to Friday, 7 July 2000 at the Jean Monnet Building, Room M6, rue Albert Wehrer, Luxembourg-Kirchberg.

Fee

No fee will be charged: participation is free.

Working language

During the seminar, simultaneous translation will be provided from German, English, French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese and Russian into German, English, French and Russian.

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PROGRAMME

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Mr. D.W. Heath, Head of Directorate F, Eurostat

WEDNESDAY 5 JULY

09.30-10.30 OPENING CEREMONY

Mr. Y. Franchet, Director General Eurostat

Mr. F. Boden, Minister of Agriculture Luxembourg

DG Agriculture

10.30-10.45 Coffee break

Session I: ECONOMIC ACCOUNTS FOR AGRICULTURE

10.45-15.15 Chairman: A. Lindner, OECD

Paper 1: EAA'97, EU EXPERIENCE AND OECD OBJECTIVES.

The implementation in the EU Member States of the new EAA methodology is finished. What (practical) problems have they encountered and what are OECD's plans for revision and future work?

First author: Mr. Marcel Ernens (Eurostat)

Co-authors: Mr. Andreas Lindner (OECD)

Paper 2: LINKING THE ESTABLISHED SUBSYSTEMS OF ECONOMIC STATISTICS TO PROVIDE A ROUNDED VIEW OF AGRICULTURE

The agricultural unit is the subject of observation in various sub-systems (National accounts, EAA, FADN etc.) but looking at it from a different perspective. In what way do these various sets of accounts all link at aggregate and micro levels?

Author: Mr. Berkeley Hill (United Kingdom)

Paper 3: AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION IN "SMALL UNITS"

Because of its irrelevance in the EU-15, agricultural output from kitchen gardens is excluded in the EAA'97 (in contradistinction to the National accounts). But in other economies it is a major economic factor. What could be a solution for this contradiction?

Author: Mr. Peter Szabo (Hungary)

12.30-14.15 LUNCH

Paper 4: HOW TO DEVELOP THE CAPITAL ACCOUNT OF THE AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY.

It is not an easy task to measure Gross Fixed Capital Formation. It might be even harder to calculate its Consumption.

Author: Mr. Lucien Pollina (France)

15.15-15.45 Coffee break

Session II: AGRICULTURAL MODELLING

15.45-17.30 Chairman: M. Ernens, EUROSTAT

Paper 5: APPLICATIONS IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE CAP

In their decision-making process, policy-makers seek to rely on a structured and consistent information framework that should allow forecasting future developments of the agricultural sector and assessing the impact and effectiveness of policy decisions. Can modelling play a role in this process?

Author: Mr. P. Bascou (DG Agriculture Brussels)

Paper 6: THE FAPRI AGRICULTURAL MODELING SYSTEM, A EUROPEAN APPLICATION

The Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute operates a dynamic, global modeling system of world agricultural which has been frequently called upon by policy makers in the United States for over 15 years. Their modeling system and the approach used by the analysts may serve as a 'model' to others interested in analyzing agricultural policies in a global setting.

Author: Mr. R. Young (FAPRI-University of Missouri)

Paper 7: OECD AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK AND ITS BASELINE PROCESS USING AGLINK MODEL

The AGLINK model is developed by the OECD secretariat with the cooperation of member countries. What does it look like, and how are their views integrated in the baseline in order enable the OECD to make its medium term outlook for agricultural markets?

Author: Mr. Atsuyuki Uebayashi (OECD)

Paper 8: AgrIS: THE EUROSTAT AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION SYSTEM

The Agricultural Information System (AgrIS) consists of a database within which physical and economic information on agriculture is stored in a harmonized framework. The database serves as an important tool for checking the consistency of the data available in the different databases in Eurostat and forms a basis for agricultural sector modelling.

Author: Mr. David Verhoog (EUROSTAT)

17.30 RECEPTION OFFERED BY EUROSTAT

THURSDAY 6 JULY

09.00-09.30 PROCEEDINGS OF THE WEDNESDAY SESSION

Session III: AGRICULTURAL PRICE STATISTICS

09.30-12.30 Chairman: J. Karlsson, UN/ECE

Paper 9: THE USE OF PRICE STATISTICS IN NATIONAL ACCOUNTS
The need for base weighted, current weighted of chained indices; the valuation of products which do not enter into the market; how representative are market values?
First author: Mr. Kristian Hjulsager (Denmark)
Co-authors: Mr. Jirí Mrázek (Czech Rep.)
Ms. Ancieta Sapoliene (Lithuania)

10.30-11.00 Coffee break

Paper 10: DIFFERENT APPROACHES TO PRICE COLLECTION
What different approaches are used in varying countries? What lessons can be learned? Comparison between Poland and other candidates countries on the one hand and EU countries and CIS countries on the other.
First author: Mr. Michael Trant (Canada)
Co-authors: Ms. Dorota Turek (Poland)
Mr. Hans Jönrup (Sweden)
Mr. Yusifov Seyfaddin (Azerbaijan)

Paper 11: TAKING ACCOUNT OF QUALITY DIFFERENCES
Important when measuring changes over time and when making inter-national comparisons. One of the major reasons for bias in price indices. Review of the nature of the problem and how countries have solved it.
First author: Mr. Peter Helm (United Kingdom)
Co-authors: Ms. Margarita Dimitrova (Bulgaria)
Ms. Nina Krivko (Kazakhstan)

12.30-14.15 LUNCH

Session IV: AGRICULTURAL INCOME INDICATORS

14.15-16.15 Chairman: G. Calo, EUROSTAT

Paper 12: MEASURING AGRICULTURAL INCOME WITH THE CHANGING FACE OF AGRICULTURE
First author: Mr. Fred Vogel (United States)
Co-author: Mr. Jim Johnson (United States)

Paper 13: ACCESSION AND INCOME
The impact of the structural changes on the income development in agriculture in the years of the Finnish EU-membership.

Author: Mr. Marti Kankaanpää (Finland)

Paper 14: AGRICULTURE "CORE BUSINESS" IN THE EAA
Under the EAA97 the "agriculture industry" could be defined as being broad: activities outside traditional farming are included however parts of it are not strongly linked to the CAP. How could a "sub-EAA" look like with a more CAP-oriented approach.

Author: Mr. Per Persson (Sweden)

16.15- DINNER OFFERED BY THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE OF LUXEMBOURG

FRIDAY 7 JULY

Session V: AGRICULTURAL LABOUR INPUT STATISTICS

09.00-11.30 Chairman: P.Narain, FAO

Paper 15: AGRICULTURAL LABOUR INPUT STATISTICS: EU EXPERIENCE WITH ALI'99

What are the main features of Eurostat's revised target methodology? What problems have Member States experienced applying this methodology? Are there lessons that can be drawn in helping the Central and Eastern European Countries implement this methodology?

First author: Mr. Edward Cook (EUROSTAT)

Paper 16: SELECTED MACRO-ECONOMIC INDICATORS RELATING TO STRUCTURAL CHANGES IN AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT IN THE SLOVAK REPUBLIK

The transition to a market economy affected the macro-economic development in Slovakia. Employment development and labour productivity and wages in agriculture in 1989 - 1999 changed e.g. due to the new structure of the agricultural holding (cooperatives, public enterprises, shareholding companies, etc.).

Author: Mr. Milan Olexa (Slovak Republic)

10.30-11.00 Coffee break

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE THURSDAY AND FRIDAY SESSIONS,
CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENADATIONS OF THE SEMINAR**

11.45-12.30

CLOSING CEREMONY

12.30-13.00