

24th IPC Seminar:
October 14-15, 1999 • Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Final Agenda

Thursday, October 14

- 7:30-10:00 **Seminar Opening Dinner & Reception**
What will be Zimbabwe's Future Role in World Agricultural Trade?
- Welcome: **Lord Plumb of Coleshill**, EU Parliament and IPC Chairman
- Keynote Speech: **Kumbirai Kangai**, Minister of Lands & Agriculture (Zimbabwe)

Friday, October 15

(Welcome: Lord Plumb of Coleshill, IPC Chairman • 1st half moderator: Liberty Mhlanga)

- 9:00-10:30 **Session One: Implementation and Accomplishments of the WTO**
The WTO and implications for domestic African policies.
- **Rolf Moehler**, Former DGVI -- Uruguay Round implementation and the 1999 WTO round
- **Firmino Mucavele**, Eduardo Mondlane University (Mozambique) -- Regional views of the WTO
- **David Hasluck**, Commercial Farmers' Union (Zimbabwe)
- 11:00-12:30 **Session Two: Problems for Free Trade in African Agriculture**
*What are the domestic and international challenges facing African agriculture?
What are its needs and expectations?*
- **Robbie Mupawose**, Zimbabwe Leaf Tobacco Co. -- The tobacco industry perspective
- **Silas Hungwe**, President, Zimbabwe Farmers Union -- Problems in small scale farming
- **David Gass**, Tongaat-Hulett Company (South Africa) -- Commercial challenges and opportunities
- 12:30-2:00 **Luncheon: Regional Integration and the WTO Process**
What are the considerations African agriculture should keep in mind in setting up regional trading arrangements and how should such arrangements conform to the WTO?
- **Lord Plumb of Coleshill**, IPC Chairman and Former President, European Parliament
- (2nd half moderator: Robert L. Thompson)
- 2:00-4:00 **Session Three: Relevant Country Cases**
What can African agriculture learn from experiences in countries next door and elsewhere?
- **Csába Csáki**, IPC Member (Hungary) -- East European privatization of parastatal organizations
- **John Durling**, Director, Seed Company (Zimbabwe) -- Zimbabwe's success in seed production
- 4:30-5:30 **Session Four: Assessing the New Trade Agenda in the WTO**
What are the important issues facing African agriculture with regards to the 1999 WTO round?
- **Siddiq Badurally Adam**, Imani-Capricorn Economic Consultants (South Africa)
- **Brian Chamberlin**, IPC Member (New Zealand) -- New Zealand's export successes to Europe and elsewhere
- 5:30-6:00 **Summary & Conclusions**
What have we learned about Africa's future role in world agricultural trade?
- **Robert L. Thompson & Liberty Mhlanga**
- 7:30-10:00 **IPC Close & Business Dinner**