

26th IPC Seminar
Beijing, China

Saturday, November 11

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“Prospects for the Agricultural Talks and WTO Trade Round”

- 9:00–10:30 **Session I: Agricultural Reform – Sectoral Continuation or Broader Negotiation?**
Due to the built-in agenda, the agricultural talks have begun this year, regardless of the outcome in Seattle. This session will discuss the reasons for the collapse of the WTO talks in Seattle, the state of the present negotiations, and the importance of merging the agricultural talks into a broader negotiation.
- Comments: Dr. Dale Hathaway - Past Undersecretary for International Affairs, USDA (USA)
 - Reaction: Professor Michel Petit – Institut National Agronomique in Paris (France)
 - Reaction: Dr. I.P. Singh – President, National Institute of Agriculture (India)
- 11:00–12:00 **Session II: The Traditional Trade Agenda**
This session will discuss the current status of Uruguay Round implementation as well as how domestic support, market access and export competition reforms initiated in the Uruguay Round can be expanded upon in the coming round.
- Comments: Mr. Rolf Moehler - Past Deputy Director General, European Commission, DG VI
 - Reaction: Mr. Donald McGauchie - Past President, National Farmers Federation of Australia
 - Reaction: Mr. Jiro Shiwaku - Past President, Livestock Industry Promotion Council (Japan)
- 12:00–2:00 Luncheon Presentation: (IPC Speaker with IPC recommendations on WTO Round)
- 2:00–3:30 **Session III: The New Trade Agenda**
The next round of negotiations must address important issues such as food safety, state trading, biotechnology and the precautionary principle, TRQ and environmental administration. Sessions III and IV will examine each of these key issues in-depth, their role in the talks, and possible solutions to dealing with them in the coming round.
- Comments: Mr. Rob Johnson - Corporate Vice President, Public Affairs, Cargill Inc. (USA)
 - Reaction: Mr. Bernard Auxenfans - Former Chairman of Europe-Africa, Monsanto
 - Reaction: Mr. W.J. Laan - Agricultural Economic Advisor, Unilever N.V. (The Netherlands)
- 4:00–5:30 **Session IV: The New Trade Agenda (cont'd)**
- Reaction: Mr. Brian Chamberlin – Chairman & Managing Director, Euroa Farms (New Zealand)
 - Reaction: Mr. Rob Tazelaar - Chairman, Product Boards for Livestock, Meat & Eggs (The Netherlands)
- 7:00–10:00 Dinner Speech: **China’s Preparations for the WTO Round**
Speaker: **Mr. Liu Jian** - Vice Minister for Agriculture, China

Sunday, November 12

PLENARY MEETING

- 9:00–10:30 **Wrap-up Discussion** (review of plenary and seminar)
- 11:00-12:30 **Consumer Interests, Rural Development Policy**
Membership discussion of proposed IPC position papers
- Ann Tutwiler, Michel Petit
- 2:00-3:30 **Trade Preferences for Developing Countries, Trade in Processed Foods**
Membership discussion of proposed IPC position papers
- Rolf Moehler, Joachim Rathke
- 4:00-5:30 **IPC Business Meeting**
- 7:00-10:00 Closing Dinner and Reception