



Agricultural Trade Negotiations: Politics and Prospects

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08:30-09:00	Registration and Coffee
09:20-10:00	Setting the Stage: <i>The Honorable Carlos Perez de Castillo</i> , former Chairman, General Council, World Trade Organization
10:00-10:45	The Politics of Trade: <i>Robert L. Thompson</i> , IPC Chairman; Former World Bank Director of Rural Development, Chair United States: <i>Joe O'Mara</i> , Agricultural trade negotiator, Uruguay Round, United States Cairns Group: <i>Brian Chamberlin</i> , Special Trade Ambassador, Uruguay Round, New Zealand Group of Twenty: <i>Paulo Estivallet de Mesquita</i> , Counsellor, <i>Brazilian Mission to the WTO</i>
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-13:00	Group of Ten: <i>Jiro Shiwaku</i> , Agricultural trade negotiator, Uruguay Round, Japan Africa Group: <i>Ajay Vashee</i> , President Southern African Confederation of Farmers, Zambia European Union: <i>Guy Legras</i> , Former Director General Agriculture, European Commission, France European Union – New Member State: <i>Jerzy Plewa</i> , Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Poland
13:00-14:30	Luncheon Speaker: <i>Ron Heck</i> , President, American Soybean Association The Domestic Politics of Trade: A US Farmer's View
14:30 -15:30	After the Peace: <i>Tim Josling</i> , Professor, Food Research Institute, Stanford University – Chair How will pending trade panels on sugar, wheat and cotton influence the political environment, the policy environment, and the negotiating objectives of instigating and target countries? <u>The Cotton Panel</u> <i>Pedro de Camargo</i> , Former Secretary for Production and Trade, Brazil <i>Mark Lange</i> , President, National Cotton Council of America, United States <i>Ibrahim Maloum</i> , President, African Cotton Association, Chad
15:30-15:45	Coffee Break
15:45-17:30	<u>The Canadian Wheat Board Panel</u> <i>Mike Gifford</i> , Agricultural trade negotiator, Uruguay Round, Canada <i>Neal Fisher</i> , Administrator, North Dakota Wheat Commission, United States <u>The Sugar Panel</u> <i>Simon Harris</i> , British Sugar, United Kingdom <i>Jorge Zorreguieta</i> , President, Sugar Growers Association, Argentina <i>Marc Painsmaye</i> , President, Committee of Industrial Sugar Users, Belgium
17:30-18:00	Closing Observations and Conclusions: Robert L. Thompson , IPC Chairman – Chair <i>Pedro de Camargo</i> , Former Secretary for Production and Trade, Brazil <i>Raul Montemayor</i> , President, Federation of Free Farmers' Cooperatives, The Philippines <i>Piet Bukman</i> , IPC Vice Chairman, The Netherlands Cocktail Reception to follow

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