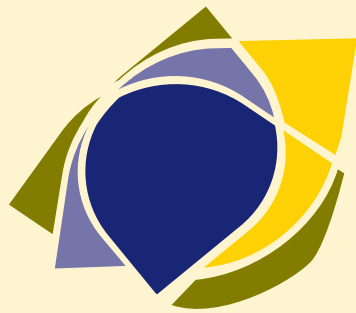




EVENT GUIDE



ARD WEEK 2009

AGRICULTURE IN A CHANGING WORLD

MARCH 2–6, 2009 • WASHINGTON, DC

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FRIDAY, MARCH 6 IS RESERVED FOR REGIONAL ACTIVITIES PLANNED AND EXECUTED BY THE REGIONS.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PLENARY SESSIONS WILL BE VIDEOTAPED AND WEBSTREAMED LIVE.

ALL PRESENTATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT **WWW.WORLDBANK.ORG/ARD**

IN 2008, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 25 YEARS, THE WORLD BANK'S WORLD DEVELOPMENT REPORT, *AGRICULTURE FOR DEVELOPMENT*, FOCUSED ON PLACING THIS IMPORTANT SECTOR AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE DEVELOPMENT CONVERSATION.

Later in 2008, we experienced a meltdown in the financial, credit, and housing markets. We felt the strain of volatile food, fuel, and commodity prices, and the anxiety of a failing global economy. The Millennium Development Goal of halving by 2015 the proportion of people living in extreme poverty and suffering from hunger, had been called into question.

The changes that have occurred since the release of *Agriculture for Development* only emphasize the importance of the role that agriculture and its priorities can play to trigger growth and to reduce world poverty, which is still overwhelmingly rural and will be so for decades to come.

The main message of the Report that resonated in a volatile 2008 and continues to ring true in an uncertain 2009 is that agriculture is vital for development. It is an engine of growth, it is a tool for poverty alleviation, and it provides us with ever more important environmental services.

Our challenge is to bring about a smallholder-based productivity revolution in order to trigger new growth. We must devise "agriculture for development" agendas for specific regions and countries and mobilize necessary skills, political commitments, and resources—not only to raise productivity but also to link farmers to markets and strengthen value chains, reduce vulnerability, enhance environment services and sustainability, and improve rural non-farm income.

Now, in the midst of a changing world, is the time to renew the importance of agriculture in development.

With this, I welcome you to a provocative week of knowledge sharing and learning sessions—both in person and as part of an e-discussion after the event at www.worldbank.org/ard. We gather this week with the goal of sharpening our skills to anticipate the next wave of challenges, act when we can make a difference, and respond when our assistance is needed the most.

Juergen Voegele

Director, Agriculture and Rural Development
World Bank

AT A GLANCE

DAY ONE MONDAY, MARCH 2

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| 8:00-9:00 | REGISTRATION — MC FRONT LOBBY BREAKFAST — PRESTON LOUNGE | | |
| 9:00-10:30 | OPENING PLENARY — PRESTON AUDITORIUM <i>The State of Agriculture & Rural Development</i> ADDRESS BY: Juergen Voegele , Director, Agriculture & Rural Development Department, World Bank SHORT VIDEO Q&A MODERATED BY: Mark Cackler , Manager, Agriculture & Rural Development Department, World Bank | | |
| 10:30-11:00 | COFFEE BREAK — PRESTON LOUNGE | | |
| 11:00-12:30 | PLENARY SESSION — PRESTON AUDITORIUM <i>Agriculture in a Changing World: Challenges and Opportunities</i> PANEL PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION Opening Remarks: Katherine Sierra , Vice President, Sustainable Development, World Bank Chair: Juergen Voegele , Director, Agriculture & Rural Development Department, World Bank PANELISTS Honorable Agnes Kalibata , Minister of State for Agriculture, Rwanda <i>Agriculture in a Changing World: Challenges and Opportunities</i> Ambassador Geert Aagaard Andersen , Denmark <i>Agriculture—The Challenge of Climate Change</i> David Kaimowitz , Program Officer, Environment and Development, Ford Foundation, Mexico <i>Black Swans, Ghosts, and Aging Academics: Missing Chapters of the World Development Report 2008</i> | | |
| 12:30-1:30 | LUNCH BREAK — <i>Boxed lunches available in Preston Lounge</i> | | |
| 1:30-3:00 | PARALLEL SESSIONS | | |
| | PRESTON AUDITORIUM <i>Experience to Date in Helping Clients Manage the Global Food Crisis</i> | MC-13-121 <i>Agriculture and Climate Change: Enhancing Resilience and Adaptation</i> | MC-2-800 <i>Large Scale Investments in Land: Déjà vu or New Development Opportunity?</i> |
| 3:00-3:30 | COFFEE BREAK — PRESTON LOUNGE | | |
| 3:30-5:00 | PRESTON AUDITORIUM <i>Mobile Phone: The Future of Rural Cash?</i> | MC-13-121 <i>Agriculture and Climate Change: Modeling and Managing Water from Basin to Nozzle</i> | MC-2-800 <i>Key Aspects of Land Sector Governance</i> |
| 5:00-6:00 | VISIT ARD THEMATIC GROUPS FAIR — MC ATRIUM | PRIVATE SECTOR ROUNDTABLE — JB1-080 <i>Not Just About Land: Opportunities and Challenges in Large-scale Agro Enterprise</i> | |
| 6:15-8:30 | ARD WEEK RECEPTION — MC-12-GALLERY <i>Awards Presentation</i> | | |

DAY TWO TUESDAY, MARCH 3

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| 8:30-9:00 | BREAKFAST — OUTSIDE JB-1-080 (AUDITORIUM) | | |
| 9:00-10:30 | PLENARY — JB1-080 (AUDITORIUM) <i>Harnessing Science and Technology for Agriculture and Rural Development</i> CHAIR: Juergen Voegele , Director, Agriculture & Rural Development Department, World Bank PANELISTS Robert T. Watson , Chief Scientific Adviser, Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), UK John Barrett , Deputy Director, Food Group, Department for International Development (DfID), UK Ren Wang , Director, Executive Secretariat, Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) Mark Holderness , Executive Secretary, Global Forum on Agricultural Research | | |
| 10:30-11:00 | COFFEE BREAK — OUTSIDE JB1-080 (AUDITORIUM) | | |
| 11:00-12:30 | PARALLEL SESSIONS | | |
| | MC-13-121 <i>Building Sustainable Fertilizer Markets: What Has Worked, What Has Not Worked, and What It Has All Cost</i> | MC-2-800 <i>Key Approaches to Getting Agricultural and Rural Enterprise Moving: Value Chains, Rural Investment Climate, and Doing Business</i> | JB1-080 <i>Carbon Finance Opportunities in the Agriculture Sector – How Can We Create the “Carbon Asset” to the Benefit of Smallholder Farmers?</i> |
| 12:30-2:00 | SESSION FOR COUNTRY BASED STAFF WITH ARD SECTOR BOARD MEMBERS AND HR OFFICER — MC “EAST” DINING ROOM <i>Free time for other participants</i> | | |
| 2:00-3:30 | PARALLEL SESSIONS | | |
| | MC-13-121 <i>CGIAR’s Best Bet Technologies: From Lab to Farm</i> | MC-2-800 <i>Escaping Poverty: “Milking” the Opportunities for Smallholder Livestock Producers</i> | JB1-080 <i>Piloting Through the Turbulence: Private Sector Perspectives on Managing Agriculture-Related Risks</i> |
| 3:30-4:00 | COFFEE BREAK — OUTSIDE JB1-080 (AUDITORIUM) | | |
| 4:00-5:30 | CLOSING PLENARY — JB1-080 (AUDITORIUM) <i>Moving Forward: World Bank Agriculture Action Plan</i> CHAIR: Juergen Voegele , Director, Agriculture & Rural Development Department, World Bank PANELISTS: Robert Townsend , Senior Economist, Agriculture & Rural Development Department, World Bank Shantayanan Devarajan , Chief Economist, Office of the Regional Vice President, Africa, World Bank Colin Bruce , Director, Strategy & Operations, Office of the Regional Vice President, Africa, World Bank Hartwig Schafer , Director of Strategy and Operations, Sustainable Development, World Bank REMARKS: Christopher Delgado , Strategy & Policy Adviser, Agriculture & Rural Development Department, World Bank CONCLUDING REMARKS: Juergen Voegele , Director, Agriculture & Rural Development Department, World Bank | | |

DAY THREE WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

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| 8:30 | LEARNING SESSION MC-2-800 <i>Pre-Registration Required</i> | LEARNING SESSION MC-C1-200 <i>Pre-Registration Required</i> | LEARNING SESSION JB1-080 (AUDITORIUM) <i>Pre-Registration Required</i> | |
| 9:30 | 8:30-4:30 <i>Clinic on Economic Analysis of Agriculture Projects</i> | 8:30-1:00 <i>A2F* for Rural Livelihoods: Design and Implementation Challenges</i> <i>* Access to Finance</i> | 8:30-1:00 <i>Factoring Governance and Forest-Dependent Poor into Climate Change Activities</i> | |
| 10:30 | | | | |
| 11:30 | | | | |
| 12:30 | | | | SIDE EVENT 12:30 – 2:00 (MC-6-100) <i>SASKI TG Retreat</i> |
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| 2:30 | | | | KNOWLEDGE SHARING SESSION 2:00 -5:00 (MC9-100) <i>Learning from Landscapes: Tools for Engaging Stakeholders in Assessing Production, Conservation & Livelihood Outcomes</i> |
| 3:30 | | | KNOWLEDGE SHARING SESSION 2:30-5:00 (MC-13-121) <i>Tracking Results with Imperfect Data</i> | |
| 4:30 | | RECEPTION — 5:00 – 6:30 (MC-C1-200) <i>Finance for Farms and Rural Entrepreneurs: Agricultural Finance Support Facility</i> A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BILL AND MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION | | |
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DAY FOUR THURSDAY, MARCH 5

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| 8:30 | LEARNING SESSION MC-13-121 <i>Pre-Registration Required</i> | LEARNING SESSION JB1-080 (AUDITORIUM) <i>Pre-Registration Required</i> | KNOWLEDGE SHARING SESSION 9:00-12:00 (MC-2-800) <i>Assessing & Addressing Agricultural Risks: Principles, Tools, & Instruments</i> | SIDE EVENT MC-C1-200 | JOINT TRAINING SESSION (ARD/ENV) H-1-200 |
| 9:30 | 8:30-4:30 <i>Agricultural Extension Within an Innovation System</i> | 8:30-5:00 <i>Impact Evaluation of Land-related Projects</i> | KNOWLEDGE SHARING SESSION 12:00-2:00 (MC-9-100) <i>Gender Sourcebook at Work</i> | 9:00-3:00 <i>Rural Livelihoods Group Retreat</i> | 9:00-4:00 <i>Getting the Most from Food: Synergies between Environmental Health, Climate Change, and Human Nutrition</i> |
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| 3:30 | | | KNOWLEDGE SHARING SESSION 3:00-4:30 (MC-9-100) <i>Practical Steps for Tracking & Monitoring Progress on GFRP Projects</i> | KNOWLEDGE SHARING SESSION 3:00 – 5:00 (MC-C1-100) <i>What Should the Bank Group Be Doing to Foster Agricultural Growth in My Part of the World? Giving Voice to Staff in the IEG Agriculture Evaluation during ARD Week.</i> | |
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DAY FIVE FRIDAY, MARCH 6

| REGION SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES | |
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| AFTAR RETREAT 8:30-5:00 <i>Black Auditorium (H Building)</i> | LCSAR RETREAT (ALL DAY) <i>The Churchill Hotel</i> <i>1914 Connecticut Ave NW</i> <i>Washington DC 20009</i> |

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN E-DISCUSSION AFTER THE EVENT AT WWW.WORLDBANK.ORG/ARDWEEK2009

8:00-9:00
Registration
MC FRONT LOBBY

Breakfast
PRESTON LOUNGE

PLENARY SESSIONS 9:00-12:30

9:00-10:30 PRESTON AUDITORIUM

**THE STATE OF AGRICULTURE
& RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

Juergen Voegele, Director, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

Short Video
Question and Answer

MODERATOR:

Mark Cackler, Sector Manager, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Juergen Voegele, Director, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

Adolfo Brizzi, Sector Manager, Agriculture and Rural Development, South Asia Region, World Bank

Karen McConnell Brooks, Sector Manager, Agriculture and Rural Development, Africa, World Bank

Luis Constantino, Sector Manager, Sustainable Development, Middle East and North Africa, World Bank

Rahul Raturi, Sector Manager, Rural Development, Natural Resources and the Environment, East Asia and Pacific, World Bank

Ethel Sennhauser, Sector Manager, Agriculture and Rural Development, Latin America and the Caribbean, World Bank

Dina Umali-Deininger, Sector Manager, Sustainable Development, Europe and Central Asia, World Bank

10:30-11:00 PRESTON LOUNGE
Coffee Break

11:00-12:30 PRESTON AUDITORIUM

**AGRICULTURE IN A CHANGING WORLD:
CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES**

In 2008, we experienced a meltdown in the financial, credit, and housing markets. We felt the stress of volatile food, fuel, and commodity prices, and the impact of a damaged global economy. In 2009, the potential for agriculture to reduce vulnerabilities and encourage economic growth has never been more important. In this plenary session a panel of experts will present their views on what the future holds for agriculture and rural development in developing countries. They will explore major threats to achieving food security and agricultural growth; outline opportunities for keeping agriculture at the forefront of the international agenda, and identify new approaches and new knowledge that could inform our work in this volatile time. The presentations will be followed by an opportunity for debate.

OPENING REMARKS:

Katherine Sierra, Vice President, Sustainable Development, World Bank

CHAIR:

Juergen Voegele, Director, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Agriculture In A Changing World: Challenges and Opportunities

Honorable Agnes Kalibata, Minister of State for Agriculture, Rwanda

Agriculture — the Challenge of Climate Change
Ambassador Geert Aagaard Andersen, Head of the Department of Environment and Sustainable Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Denmark

Black Swans, Ghosts, and Aging Academics: Missing Chapters of the World Development Report 2008

David Kaimowitz, Program Officer, Environment and Development, Ford Foundation

Question and Answer

12:30-1:30 PRESTON LOUNGE

Lunch Break

Boxed Lunches Will Be Provided

PARALLEL SESSIONS — 1:30-3:00

1:30-3:00 PRESTON AUDITORIUM

**EXPERIENCE TO DATE IN HELPING CLIENTS
MANAGE THE GLOBAL FOOD CRISIS**

On May 29th, 2008, the World Bank Board of Executive Directors approved the Global Food Crisis Response Program (GFRP), a \$1.2 billion rapid financing facility to address immediate needs arising from the food crisis. Since its inception in May, there have been World Bank Board-approved GFRP operations in 30 countries. The existing GFRP pipeline includes operations in another dozen or so countries. This session will bring together for the first time regional staff from a selection of the projects approved under GFRP to begin to assess the experiences to date, and results achieved, in helping clients meet immediate food prices imperatives and in facilitating the transition to viable longer term solutions.

CHAIR:

Juergen Voegelé, Director, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

David Nabarro, UN Assistant Secretary-General and Coordinator of the Task Force on the Global Food Security Crisis

Christopher Delgado, Strategy and Policy Adviser, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

Oscar Chemerinski, Director, Agribusiness, IFC

Benu Bidani, Lead Economist and Sector Leader, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, World Bank (tbc)

Bekzod Shamsiev, Senior Agricultural Economist, Sustainable Development, Europe and Central Asia, World Bank

Anush Bezhanyan, Country Sector Coordinator, Human Development Sector Unit, World Bank

Achim Fock, Senior Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Africa Region, World Bank

Jane Hopkins, Senior Agricultural Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Africa Region, World Bank

Vera Songwe, Adviser, Managing Director's Office, World Bank

Mona Sur, Senior Economist, Agricultural and Rural Development, World Bank

1:30-3:00 MC 13-121

**AGRICULTURE AND CLIMATE CHANGE:
ENHANCING RESILIENCE AND ADAPTATION**

This session will provide participants with insights to the Rockefeller Foundation's (RF) Climate Change Resilience Initiative, which aims to develop the ability of communities to manage and plan for the inevitable effects of climate change and to make sure that planning includes the most vulnerable citizens. Since building resilience requires actions on multiple levels and scales, the Foundation expects to partner on the Initiative with governments, other foundations and donors, NGOs, and groups from the private sector. More specifically, the focus will be on RF's support to assess climate threats in Africa, especially to staple food crops at a country level, with the end goal of helping prioritize investments in agricultural development and food security under a changing climate. The

second part of the session will focus on the significant biological/technical potential for GHG mitigation within agriculture through both emissions reductions and removals of CO₂ (with increasing storage of C in soils and biomass on agriculture land). The dominant component (about 80 percent) of this potential is associated with soil C sequestration in cropland and grazing lands and restoration of degraded lands in developing countries. There is strong consensus based on robust empirical datasets that enhancing soil organic carbon contents of soils can improve land, water, and crop productivity as well as enhance the adaptive capacity of the land against climate-related shocks.

CHAIR:

Inger Andersen, Director, Sustainable Development, Africa, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Gary H. Toenniessen, Managing Director, The Rockefeller Foundation

Keith Paustian, Professor of Soil Ecology, Department of Soil and Crop Sciences and Senior Research Scientist, Natural Resources Ecology Laboratory (NREL), Colorado State University, Fort Collins

1:30-3:00 MC 2-800

**LARGE SCALE INVESTMENTS IN LAND:
DEJA VU OR NEW DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY?**

Acquisition of use or ownership rights to large areas of land for production of agricultural commodities, forest, or provision of environmental amenities (but excluding mining) by large investors has recently attracted considerable interest. A combination of higher and more volatile global commodity prices, politically motivated demand for bio-fuels, population growth and urbanization, as well as overall economic development is likely to imply that this will be of continued importance in the future.

The objective of this session is to present the concept underlying a study on large-scale acquisition of land rights for agricultural or natural resource-based use, share some preliminary findings and discuss the implications of such large scale land acquisitions for forestry (the spillover effect/indirect effects). The study aims to inventory the extent to which large scale land acquisition is occurring in rural areas, the policy contexts within which it is occurring, and the economic underpinnings of such acquisitions. We have invited a distinguished set of panelists to share their perspectives on this issue and its linkages to forests. The idea is to discuss in addition to the impact of such acquisitions on land and poverty, its indirect effects on forests and forest dependent people and also how this is linked to issues of forest governance. This session would then lead into the discussion on land governance which will be covered during the Land Session which follows later in the day.

CHAIR:

Gerhard Dieterle, Forests Advisor, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Derek Byerlee, Member, Science Council, CGIAR

Steven Schonberger, Lead Operations Officer, Rural Development, Natural Resources and the Environment, East Asia and the Pacific, World Bank

Malcolm Childress, Senior Land Administration Specialist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Latin America and the Caribbean, World Bank

**3:00-3:30 PRESTON LOUNGE
Coffee Break**

PARALLEL SESSIONS — 3:30-5:00

3:30-5:00 PRESTON AUDITORIUM

MOBILE PHONE: THE FUTURE OF RURAL CASH?

The overall goal of this parallel session will be to present experiences with the design and/or implementation of a mobile technology by Safaricom/Vodafone to achieve a wide rural outreach in East Africa. Bank staff will be given the opportunity to learn Safaricom/Vodafone's good practices and also any major issues they face, especially from client side. Representatives from CGAP and Western Union will be on the panel. The presentation will advise, discuss strategies and success factors, and make recommendations to countries wanting to replicate and/or scale up the mobile technology systems discussed. The target audience will be mainly World Bank Task Team Leaders (TTLs) who are working on livelihood and rural development projects and programs and who are, almost invariably, faced with the lack of access to financial services for their target beneficiaries.

MODERATOR: Renate Kloepfinger-Todd, Advisor for Rural Finance, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank

PANELIST: Susie Lonie, Developer and Marketing Specialist, Safaricom/Vodafone

3:30-5:00 MC 13-121

AGRICULTURE AND CLIMATE CHANGE: MODELING AND MANAGING WATER FROM BASIN TO NOZZLE

Climate change will impact water quantity and quality at surface and sub-surface zones and from field to basin scales. Developing quantitative approaches to measuring and modeling water fluxes and evapotranspiration will be key to developing predictive assessments and scenarios that will facilitate the proactive management of land, crops, and natural vegetation for optimal water flows, storage, and irrigation. This session will bring together leading researchers to present and discuss cutting edge scientific approaches to model and manage water in the face of increasing variability and uncertainty due to climate change. Participants will learn about state of the art and field tested measurement and modeling approaches to surface and groundwater fluxes as well as emerging evapotranspiration remote sensing technologies that will transform irrigation practices and water use efficiency in agriculture in the next decade.

CHAIR: Abel Mejia, Sector Manager, Energy, Transport and Water, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Bridget Scanlon, Senior Research Scientist, Bureau of Economic Geology, Jackson School of Geosciences, University of Texas at Austin

Prasanna Gowda, Agricultural Engineer, USDA

Jeffrey Richey, Professor, School of Oceanography, University of Washington

3:30-5:00 MC-2-800

KEY ASPECTS OF LAND SECTOR GOVERNANCE

The importance of a well governed land sector, characterized by (i) a legal and institutional framework that helps to establish and enforce property rights to land and resolve conflict regarding such rights; (ii) availability of reliable information on land rights at low-cost to allow verification of ownership and use of land as collateral; and (iii) regulations to avoid undesirable effects from

action by private parties or the state is increasingly recognized to be an essential part of developing countries' institutional environment. The session will present a general framework to analyze this and results from its application in four countries, followed by examples on how development partners incorporate this issue into their activities.

CHAIR: Jolyne Sanjak, Managing Director, Millennium Challenge Corporation

PANELISTS/DISCUSSANTS:

Land Governance in a Country Context: The Case of Liberia

Amos Sawyer, Head of Governance Commission and Former President, Government of Liberia

Comparing Land Governance Across Countries: Framework and Pilot Results

Tony Burns, Managing Director, Land Equity International

Klaus Deininger, Land Tenure Advisor, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank

Integrating Land Governance Into Support at the Country Level

Joan Kagwanja, Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations Economic Commission on Africa

Albert Engel, Director, Division for Agriculture, Fisheries, and Food, GTZ

Paul Munro-Faure, Chief, Land Management Unit, FAO

PARALLEL ACTIVITIES — 5:00-6:00

5:00-6:00 MC ATRIUM

AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT THEMATIC GROUPS FAIR

5:00-6:00 JB-1-080

PRIVATE SECTOR ROUNDTABLE

NOT JUST ABOUT LAND: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES IN LARGE-SCALE AGROENTERPRISE

While the recent upsurge in land acquisition is viewed mostly as a problem by critics, it also represents an opportunity to deliver to developing countries significant financial resources, productive infrastructure, modern technology, and better access to market, not to mention jobs and income. Yet realization of such benefits requires that everything be done properly, throughout the program and project cycle. Drawing on real-life experiences of seasoned agribusiness executives who have been involved in large-scale fruit and vegetable, cut flower, plantation crop and other agroenterprises in developing countries, this session will explore: (i) what agro-investors look for in choosing whether, where and how to start a new venture; (ii) their decision-making process; (iii) what they expect from government; and (iv) pitfalls to avoid.

CHAIR: Alzbeta Klein, Manager, Agribusiness, IFC (tbc)

PANELISTS:

Henry Win Winogron, Consultant

Mike Burness, Vice President of Quality Management and Food Safety, Chiquita Brands International (tbc)

Andrew Hamilton, Senior Industry Specialist, Agribusiness, IFC

ARD WEEK RECEPTION — 6:15-830

MC-12 – GALLERY

Awards Presentation

TUES, MARCH 3

8:30-9:00 **JB1-080**
Breakfast

PLENARY SESSIONS 9:00 – 12:30

9:00-10:30 **JB1-080**

HARNESSING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

The session will present the findings and recommendations of the International Assessment of Agricultural Science and Technology for Development (IAASTD). Dr. Robert T. Watson, the Director of the Assessment, will make a presentation on the process and outcomes of the report as they relate to emerging development challenges such as the food, fuel and energy crisis. Dr. Ren Wang, Director, CGIAR Secretariat, will discuss CGIAR's R&D work in view of the IAASTD outcomes, as well as the CGIAR change process. Dr. John Barrett, Deputy Director, Food Group, DfID, will address the IAASTD in relation to the recently published DfID research strategy.

CHAIR: Juergen Voegele, Director, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank

PANELISTS:

- Robert T. Watson**, Chief Scientific Adviser, Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, UK
- John Barrett**, Deputy Director, Food Group, Policy and Research Division, DfID
- Ren Wang**, Director, CGIAR Secretariat
- Mark Holderness**, Executive Secretary, Global Forum on Agricultural Research (GFAR)

10:30-11:00 **JB1-080** (outside of auditorium)
Coffee Break

PARALLEL SESSIONS 11:00 – 12:30

11:00-12:30 **MC-13-121**

BUILDING SUSTAINABLE FERTILIZER MARKETS: WHAT HAS WORKED, WHAT HAS NOT WORKED, AND WHAT IT HAS ALL COST

In response to the global food price crisis, governments in many developing countries have launched emergency food production programs that include initiatives designed to promote increased use of fertilizer, often with the help of subsidies. This session will examine what we know about promoting increased fertilizer use. It will focus on what has worked, what has not worked, and what it has all cost. Presentations will cover long-term prospects for global fertilizer markets, emerging evidence on the cost-effectiveness of different approaches to promoting fertilizer use, views of a senior African policy maker on what the Bank can do to help support national fertilizer programs, and a brief review of ongoing Bank operations that include fertilizer promotion components. The presentations will be followed by a moderated question and answer session.

CHAIR: Mark Cackler, Sector Manager, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

- Amit Roy**, President and Chief Executive Officer, International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC)
- Honorable Dr. Agnes Kalibata**, Minister of State for Agriculture, Rwanda
- David Rohrbach**, Senior Agricultural Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Africa, World Bank
- Andrew Dorward**, Professor of Development Economics and Director of the Centre for Development, Environment, and Policy, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London

11:00-12:30 MC-2-800

KEY APPROACHES TO GETTING AGRICULTURAL AND RURAL ENTERPRISE MOVING: VALUE CHAINS, RURAL INVESTMENT CLIMATE, AND DOING BUSINESS

Alleviation of poverty and hunger depends greatly on rural economic growth, which in turn is driven by both agricultural growth and non-farm rural enterprise, which interact with each other in the rural space. While value chains play an increasingly important role in all forms of enterprise, their productivity and competitiveness can be affected positively or adversely by the enabling environment. This session will explore: (i) approaches to value chain development, using as examples the cotton complex for World Bank work and fresh produce for GTZ; (ii) the World Bank's on-going Rural Investment Climate work, now entering a third phase; and (iii) a new joint effort by the ARD and IFC on Doing Business in Agriculture, which has been submitted to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation for substantial funding.

CHAIR: John Lamb, Senior Agribusiness Team Leader, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Patrick Labaste, Lead Agricultural Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, Africa, World Bank
Christian Henckes, Head of Agriculture and Food, GTZ
Naotaka Sawada, Consultant, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank
Simeon Djankov, Chief Economist, Finance and Private Sector Development, World Bank
Dr. Amin Babandi, National Coordinator, Commercial Agriculture Development Program, Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources, Nigeria

11:00-12:30 JB 1-080

CARBON FINANCE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR: HOW CAN WE CREATE THE "CARBON ASSET" TO THE BENEFIT OF SMALLHOLDER FARMERS?

Agriculture accounts for an estimated 12 percent of total global anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs). However, agriculture has the potential to become a significant contributor to better management of GHGs. A particularly promising approach is soil carbon sequestration through adoption of sustainable agricultural land management practices, which can lead to productivity growth and enhanced climate resilience. The session will (i) discuss the significance of the agricultural GHG mitigation potential; (ii) explore how this potential can be operationalized to the benefit of smallholder farmers; and (iii) discuss future market opportunities for agricultural carbon assets.

CHAIR: Johannes Woelcke, Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Africa, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Pete Smith, Royal Society Wolfson Professor of Soils and Global Change, University of Aberdeen, Scotland
Ken Newcombe, Founder & CEO, C-Quest Capital, LLC (CQC)
David Neil Bird, Joanneum Research
Timm Tennigkeit, Terrestrial Carbon Finance, Chinese Academy of Sciences and the World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF)
Bo Lager, Programme Director, Swedish Cooperative Centre and Vi Agroforestry

12:30-2:00 MC EAST DINING ROOM

SESSION FOR COUNTRY BASED STAFF WITH AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT SECTOR BOARD MEMBERS AND HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER

*Free time for other participants

PARALLEL SESSIONS 2:00 – 3:30

2:00-3:30 MC-13-121

CGIAR'S BEST BET TECHNOLOGIES: FROM LAB TO FARM

In this session Rodomiro Ortiz from the CGIAR Center Alliance will present the 'best bet' technologies that CGIAR has generated, which could be quickly taken into use in Sub-Saharan Africa to improve crop productivity. The opportunities to use the DONATA platform of FARA to disseminate these technologies will be discussed by Sidi Sanyang from FARA. Lucy Muchoki, the Chair of the African Agribusiness Association, will explore the opportunities to use commercial channels to make these technologies available to farmers. Josette Lewis from USAID will contextualize the discussion in a broader research and development continuum and two World Bank operational staff, Willem Janssen and David Nielson will give a World Bank operational perspective.

CHAIR: Indira Ekanayake, Senior Agriculturalist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Latin America and Caribbean, World Bank

PANELISTS/DISCUSSANTS:

Rodomiro Ortiz, Director of Resource Mobilization, CIMMYT
Sidi Sanyang, Director, Regional Policy and Markets, FARA
Lucy Muchoki, CEO, Biop Company
Josette Lewis, Director, Office of Agriculture, USAID
David Nielson, Lead Agriculture Services Specialist, Africa, World Bank
Willem Janssen, Lead Agriculturalist, Latin America and Caribbean, World Bank

2:00-3:30 MC-2-800

ESCAPING POVERTY: "MILKING" OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALLHOLDER LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS

This session will examine the policy decisions, investment choices, combined with opportunities for innovative public-private linkages, that will potentially shape livestock sector development in developing countries over the next decade.

Drawing on examples from the dairy and meat sectors, this session will explore opportunities to increase smallholders' participation in livestock value chains. It will also examine critical success factors and the most suitable roles for public and private investment, and the potential of public-private partnerships. The discussion will address a number of cross-cutting issues, including gender, environment, and governance based on a variety of experiences in Africa, Asia, and Eastern Europe. These experiences illustrate how a private sector-driven, value-chain approach can be used to inform the scale and use of investment funds.

CHAIR: Jimmy Smith, Senior Livestock Specialist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Bradley Buck, Director, Business and Practice Expansion, Land O'Lakes

Jim De Vries, Executive Vice President of Programs, Heifer International

Nancy Morgan, Senior Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

Cornelis de Haan, Consultant, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

2:00-3:30**JB 1-080**

PILOTING THROUGH THE TURBULENCE: PRIVATE SECTOR PERSPECTIVES ON MANAGING AGRICULTURE-RELATED RISKS

In recent years there has been growing attention to agriculture-related risks among national governments, agribusiness companies, international agencies, financial institutions, producer associations, and consumer organizations. High volatility in food and energy prices, periodic food safety 'crises', outbreaks of pests and diseases, adverse weather events, and growing concerns about the environmental footprint of globalized supply chains are among the various trends and shocks influencing government policies and private sector strategies. This session will provide selected private sector perspectives on the varied risks inherent in sourcing commodities from developing countries and on approaches to managing these risks.

CHAIR: Dina Umali-Deininger, Sector Manager, Sustainable Development, Europe and Central Asia, World Bank

3:30-4:00**JB1-080** (outside of auditorium)**Coffee Break****4:00-5:30****JB1-080**

MOVING FORWARD: WORLD BANK AGRICULTURE ACTION PLAN

Following the World Development Report 2008: *Agriculture for Development* and the onset of the food crisis, the World Bank committed to scale up support for agriculture. Specific corporate scale-up targets were set for Africa and globally. The expiration of the last Rural Development Strategy: *Reaching the Rural Poor* (2003-07), has prompted requests from the World Bank Board and Senior Management for clarity on our plan for scale-up. In response, a World Bank Group *Agriculture Action Plan* (FY10-12) is being prepared to translate these corporate commitments into actions on the ground. This session will present and discuss the proposed action plan, drawing on chief economist, country director, and sector staff perspectives and feedback.

CHAIR: Juergen Voegele, Director, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Robert Townsend, Senior Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

Shantayanan Devarajan, Chief Economist, Africa, World Bank

Colin Bruce, Director, Strategy and Operations, Africa, World Bank

Hartwig Schafer, Director of Strategy and Operations, Sustainable Development, World Bank

REMARKS:

Christopher Delgado, Strategy and Policy Adviser, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

CONCLUDING REMARKS:

Juergen Voegele, Director, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank

8:30-4:30 MC-2-800
Pre-Registration Required

CLINIC ON ECONOMIC ANALYSIS OF AGRICULTURE PROJECTS

The event will refresh ARD staff thinking on approaches to economic analysis of projects with emphasis on (1) economic aspects of project analysis, (2) identifying project costs and benefits, and (3) measures of project worth. It will also clarify the concept of (1) economic efficiency and (2) sustainability, and the relationships between them. It will rapidly cover in particular (a) what economic efficiency does and does not address; (b) different working definitions of long-term sustainability; and (c) linkages between efficiency and sustainability, including controversies over discount rates for long-term benefits and costs and how sustainability might be incorporated into economic analysis of projects or policies. The event will also review contemporary challenges to doing good-quality economic analysis of agricultural projects and discuss the incentives that prevail in the Bank for undertaking cogent economic analyses.

CHAIR: Jock Anderson, Consultant, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

- Pedro Belli**, Consultant
- Michael Toman**, Lead Research Economist, Development Research Group, World Bank
- Mona Sur**, Senior Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank
- Johannes Woelcke**, Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Africa, World Bank
- Josef Loening**, Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Africa, World Bank
- Gretel Gambarelli**, Environmental Economist, Environment Department, World Bank

8:30-1:00 MC-C1-200
Pre-Registration Required

A2F* FOR RURAL LIVELIHOODS: DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION CHALLENGES

*ACCESS TO FINANCE

The World Bank has several stand alone rural finance projects and others that have a rural finance component or activity. The ultimate goal of these projects is to promote provision of sustainable financial services to rural individuals, households, and enterprises — for the farm and non farm communities. This objective can be achieved if project are designed with appropriate instruments and implementation mechanisms. This session will explore with Bank task teams: (i) recognized best practices and range of institutional options (ii) common obstacles that Bank task teams face during implementation and provide advice on how to address them.

CHAIR: Renate Kloeppinger-Todd, Advisor for Rural Finance, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank

PANELISTS:

- Henry K Bagazonzya**, Senior Financial Sector Specialist, Finance and Private Sector Development, South Asia, World Bank
- Qazi Azmat Isa**, Senior Rural Development Specialist, Agriculture and Rural Development, South Asia, World Bank
- Ingo Wiederhofer**, Senior Operations Officer, Social Development, East Asia and the Pacific, World Bank

8:30-1:00 **JB1-080** (Auditorium)
Pre-Registration Required

FACTORING GOVERNANCE AND FOREST-DEPENDENT POOR INTO CLIMATE CHANGE ACTIVITIES

The past two years have seen impressive international advocacy and consensus-building regarding addressing climate change. The emerging framework for negotiations incorporates mitigation of climate change including, for the first time, consideration of reducing emissions from deforestation, sustainable forest management, reforestation, afforestation, and forest and land degradation, adaptation, technology development and transfer, and provision of financial resources in support of developing countries' actions. These developments present a unique opportunity to using forests to address climate change. Success will be underpinned by ensuring that key considerations associated with sustainable forest management are taken into account — specifically the role forests play in poverty alleviation and the importance of good forest governance.

This training offers task managers in the region and anchor a set of tools and lessons to mainstream poverty and forest governance considerations into policies, initiatives and activities on forest-based mitigation and adaptation to climate change. More specifically, the training will focus on using the poverty-forests linkages toolkit and designing and implementing a national action plan for improved forest governance, and share lessons from the field.

CHAIR: Gerhard Dieterle, Forests Adviser, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Neil Bird, Research Fellow in the Forest Policy and Environment Program, ODI
Tuukka Castrén, Senior Forestry Specialist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank
Diji Chandrasekharan Behr, Natural Resources Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank
Peter Dewees, Lead Environment Specialist, Sustainable Development, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, World Bank
Cornelius Kazoora, Director, Sustainable Development Center, Makerere University, Uganda
Nalin Kishor, Senior Natural Resources Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

SIDE EVENT

12:30 – 2:00 **MC-6-100**

SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL SYSTEMS,
KNOWLEDGE AND INSTITUTIONS THEMATIC GROUP
RETREAT

2:00-5:00 **MC9-100**

LEARNING FROM LANDSCAPES: TOOLS FOR ENGAGING STAKEHOLDERS IN ASSESSING PRODUCTION, CONSERVATION, AND LIVELIHOOD OUTCOMES

The workshop will engage members of the ARD Family in considering innovative and practical ways to engage stakeholders in assessing the performance of landscapes where goals for biodiversity and ecosystem service conservation, livelihood security and sustainable agriculture production are being pursued. Participants will become familiar with landscape scale approaches, performance criteria, indicators and measurement tools for integrating production, conservation and livelihood outcomes. They will learn to navigate the Landscape Measures Resource Center (LMRC) and to participate in its ongoing development. They will gain experience in using the 'landscape measures scorecard' and be introduced

to other measurement tools. Finally, they will consider possibilities for on-going learning about landscape measures approaches and methods.

CHAIR: Erick Fernandes, Adviser and Focal Point on Agriculture and Climate Change, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Louise E. Buck, Senior Extension Associate, Cornell University
Sara J. Scherr, Founder & President, Ecoagriculture Partners

2:30-5:00 **MC-13-121**

TRACKING RESULTS WITH IMPERFECT DATA

Supporting and building capacity for collecting data, selecting appropriate indicators, and establishing M&E systems in countries with less-than-ideal conditions is a development challenge in the agriculture and rural development (ARD) sector. This session presents two initiatives undertaken by the World Bank and the international community to address the ARD data challenge. The first is the sourcebook, *Tracking Results in Agriculture and Rural Development in Less-than-ideal Conditions*, recently published by the Global Donor Platform for Rural Development (GDPRD), FAO, and the World Bank. The second, currently underway, builds on the first initiative to Develop a Strategic Plan to Improve Agricultural Statistics — a plan for integrating an internationally accepted minimum (or core) set of agriculture and rural statistics into national and international statistical systems. Once agreed to, the plan will be presented for ratification by the United Nations Statistical Commission in February 2010. The hope is that UN member countries will systematically collect these core agricultural statistics and adopt a minimum set of indicators for ARD.

CHAIR: Christoph Kohlmeyer, Chair, Global Donor Platform for Rural Development

PANELISTS/DISCUSSANTS:

Naman Keita, Senior Statistician, FAO
Fred Vogel, Consultant; retired Senior Statistician at the World Bank and USDA
Mary Bohman, Director, Resource and Rural Economics Divisions, Economic Research Service, USDA
Brian Baldwin, Co-Chair, Global Donor Platform for Rural Development
Robert Townsend, Senior Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank.

5:00-6:30 **MC-C1-200**

Presentation with Reception to Follow

FINANCE FOR FARMS AND RURAL ENTREPRENEURS: AGRICULTURAL SUPPORT FACILITY.

A partnership with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

The Agricultural Finance Support Facility (AFSF) — will support the replication or scaling-up of profitable rural finance business models and the generation of knowledge and learning about these models. About half of the program will be implemented in Africa and the remaining in South Asia, East Asia, and Middle East and North Africa. AFSF will complement major World Bank investments in these Regions and cultivate the ground for future Bank supported rural finance projects. This session will provide detailed information about the components and implementation arrangements of the Facility.

CHAIR: Renate Kloeppinger-Todd, Advisor for Rural Finance, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS: Ajai Nair, Consultant, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

8:30-5:00 **JB1-080** (Auditorium)
Pre-Registration Required

IMPACT EVALUATION OF LAND-RELATED PROJECTS

Despite a heated debate on the benefits from land titling sparked by H. deSoto, evidence on credit-related effects in the literature is quite limited. Also, there are a number of new promising approaches to land registration short of full title that have not yet been rigorously evaluated. The session will familiarize World Bank Task Team Leaders (TTLs) with new approaches to impact evaluation and demonstrate how these can be applied to land-related projects by discussing examples of ongoing and planned impact evaluations in this area.

CHAIR: Klaus Deininger, Land Tenure Advisor, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank

8:30-4:30 **MC-13-121**
Pre-Registration Required

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION WITHIN AN INNOVATION SYSTEM

This training session will update the knowledge and understanding of World Bank Task Team Leaders (TTLs) about the need for a major paradigm shift in transforming agricultural extension systems. Agricultural extension systems during the 20th century focused on technology transfer. To improve rural livelihoods, however, there must be a paradigm shift toward a more decentralized, farmer-led, and market-driven extension system that functions effectively in a wider agricultural innovation system. This approach concentrates on “process innovations” that both intensify and diversify farming systems and support the interface among diverse actors. This approach has been successfully implemented in countries such as China, India, Indonesia, and Malawi. This session will illustrate the key features and requirements, including investments and institutional changes, of this new extension approach and highlight case studies presented by the panelists.

CHAIR: Riikka Rajalahti, Senior Agricultural Specialist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Indira Ekanayake Senior Agriculturalist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Latin America and Caribbean, World Bank
Augusto Garcia, Senior Operations Officer, Sustainable Development, Latin America and Caribbean, World Bank
Bob Rabatsky, Vice President, Fintrac, Inc.
Burton Swanson, Consultant
Hardwick Tchale, Agricultural Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Africa, World Bank

9:00-4:00 **H-1-200**

GETTING THE MOST FROM FOOD: SYNERGIES BETWEEN ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, CLIMATE CHANGE, AND HUMAN NUTRITION

Jointly presented by the Agriculture and Rural Development (ARD), Environment (ENV), Health, Nutrition and Population (HNP) and Water (ETWWA) Anchors

The climate crisis suggests that agricultural productivity in some regions of the world will be severely affected. Hence, policies and other measures to increase agricultural productivity are important for developing countries. However, improving efficiency in food production is only one side of the coin. Improving efficiency in terms of how the body takes in nutrients is equally important. Recent research shows clearly that half of malnutrition is caused by poor sanitation and hygiene rather than lack of food. This workshop aims to present the related science to show how we can derive the most benefit from our food and to initiate a dialogue across several sectors to discuss how the World Bank can act in a more integrated way to respond to the impact of climate change on human nutrition.

CHAIR: Kulsum Ahmed, Lead Environmental Specialist, Environment Department, World Bank

SIDE EVENT**9:00 – 3:00 MC-C1-200****RURAL LIVELIHOODS GROUP RETREAT****9:00-12:00 MC-2-800****ASSESSING AND ADDRESSING AGRICULTURAL RISKS: PRINCIPLES, TOOLS, AND INSTRUMENTS**

The recent sharp upward and downward movements in food and other commodity prices, periodic food safety ‘crises’, the outbreak and spread of pests and diseases, adverse weather events, and growing concerns about climate change and the environmental footprint of agriculture are among the many shocks and/or emerging trends that are raising the profile of agricultural risk among policy-makers, farmer and consumer groups, the private sector, and development assistance organizations. Developing country stakeholders are seeking advice to better understand this more complex environment of risk and the range of potentially more effective and sustainable risk management measures.

This knowledge-sharing session will: (i) inform rural development and other staff about emerging approaches for assisting WB clients to assess agriculture-related risks and to identify suitable risk management measures—in the contexts of project identification, AAA strategy/ competitiveness work, policy dialogues, and disaster mitigation planning; and (ii) provide illustrative examples of the applications of these assessment tools and selected interventions, at micro, meso/area, and macro levels.

CHAIR: Steven Jaffee, Lead Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

PANELISTS:

William Dick, Consultant, World Bank
Joanna Syroka, Consultant, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank
Marc Sadler, Senior Agriculture Economist, Agriculture and Rural Development Department, World Bank
Erin Bryla, Consultant, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank
Christoph Pusch, Lead Specialist, Disaster Management, Urban, Water, and Sanitation, South Asia

12:00-2:00 MC-9-100**GENDER SOURCEBOOK AT WORK**

The luncheon discussion will address the status of gender integration in rural portfolio and present the Gender Action Plan and World Bank Group President Zoellick’s targets on gender in agriculture. We will also engage in a dialogue with technical staff and task managers on the challenges, needs, and suggestions on how to move forward.

In addition to the presentations by Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Gender and Development Group and Agriculture and Rural Development, the luncheon event will present experiences and challenges of the recent gender integration in Kosovo land project as a pilot testing activity of the *Gender in Agriculture Sourcebook*. We will also hear from other partners how they strengthen gender-responsiveness of their operations.

CHAIR: Maria C. Correia, Program Manager & Chair of the Gender and Rural Development (GENRD) Thematic Group, World Bank

PANELISTS:

Adyline Waafas Ofosu-Amaah, Senior Gender Specialist, Gender and Development, World Bank
Natalia Gomez, Rural Development Specialist, Agriculture and Rural Development, Latin America and Caribbean, World Bank
Victoria Stanley, Operations Officer and Land Administration Specialist, Sustainable Development, Europe and Central Asia, World Bank
Tony Lamb, Consultant
Josette Lewis, Director, Office of Agriculture, USAID

3:00-4:30 MC-9-100**PRACTICAL STEPS FOR TRACKING AND MONITORING PROGRESS ON GFRP PROJECTS**

This session will provide an opportunity for discussion amongst World Bank Task Team Leaders (TTLs) and quality control managers on practical steps and indicators for tracking progress and monitoring results of Global Food Price Response (GFRP) projects.

CHAIRS: Randall Purcell, Senior Rural Development Specialist, Agriculture and Rural Development, World Bank

3:00-5:00 MC-C1-100**WHAT SHOULD THE BANK GROUP BE DOING TO FOSTER AGRICULTURAL GROWTH IN MY PART OF THE WORLD? GIVING VOICE TO STAFF IN THE IEG AGRICULTURE EVALUATION DURING ARD WEEK**

The Independent Evaluation Group (IEG) is currently undertaking an Evaluation of World Bank Group’s Support for Agriculture and Agribusiness. The evaluation will try to identify the key determinants of performance, good practices, and lessons that can help inform the World Bank Group’s engagement in the agriculture sector in the years to come. During this session, members of the evaluation team will share some preliminary findings. Come share your views on the challenges of implementing agricultural interventions in your region.

CHAIR: Nalini Kumar, Senior Evaluation Officer, Sector Evaluations, World Bank

Geert Aagaard Andersen

Ambassador, Environment and Sustainable Development, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Denmark
Geert Aagaard Andersen has served in a number of important capacities for the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, including Head of Department, Environment and Sustainable Development Ambassador, Royal Danish Embassy in Jakarta, and Head of Departments for Humanitarian Affairs, East and West Africa, the Planning Department, and Ambassador at the Royal Danish Embassy in Kampala, Uganda. He holds an MSc in Economics from Aarhus University in Denmark.

Kulsum Ahmed

Lead Environmental Specialist, World Bank
Kulsum Ahmed is lead environmental specialist and team leader for the environmental institutions and governance program and environmental health program in the Environment Department at the World Bank. She has considerable experience in providing technical assistance, policy advice and financing linked to tackling environmental issues in developing countries. Kulsum has authored numerous publications on renewable energy, environment, health, strategic environmental assessment and industrial pollution topics. She studied Natural Sciences at Cambridge University and has a Ph.D. in Chemistry from Imperial College, London.

Jock Anderson

Adviser, World Bank
Jock Anderson joined the World Bank in 1989 where he served as an Adviser in the Agriculture and Rural Development Department, and with the Operations Evaluation Department. Previously he was a Professor of

Agricultural Economics, and Dean of the Faculty of Economic Studies, and Deputy Director and Chief Economist of the Australian Bureau of Agricultural Economics. He is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science; the American Agricultural Economics Association; the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia, and the Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society. He holds a PhD in agricultural economics from the University of New England, Armidale, Australia.

Amin Babandi

National Coordinator, Nigeria Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Water Resources, Nigeria
Dr. Amin Babandi is the National Coordinator for the Bank-supported \$150 million Commercial Agriculture Development Project (CADP) which was recently approved by the Board and is expected to begin around April of 2009. CADP will be piloted in five states in Nigeria. The project aims at strengthening agricultural production, facilitating access to markets "for targeted value chains" amongst small and medium scale commercial farmers in the five participating states, and adding value. The value chains include rice, oil palm, cocoa, fruit trees, poultry, dairy and aquaculture.

Henry K Bagazonzya

Senior Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank
Henry K Bagazonzya is a Senior Financial Sector Specialist in the South Asia Region of the World Bank. Mr. Bagazonzya earlier served as an advisor to several governments in Africa and joined the Bank as Senior Microfinance Specialist in the Africa Region. He has over 30 years of experience working on financial interventions for rural communities. At present, he works with

project teams that are trying to establish good practice livelihood programs with rural finance components for the South Asia region, including Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Nepal and India.

John Barrett

Deputy Director, Food Group, Policy and Research Division, DfID
Dr. John Barrett is a deputy director in DfID's policy and research division, where he heads the food group, working on policy issues relating to food security and agricultural development. He is also the "Head of Profession" for DfID's group of some 50 Livelihoods advisers working in DfID offices around the world, dealing with a spectrum of issues ranging from natural resources management to agro-industry and product marketing, which includes forestry, fisheries and livestock in addition to agricultural crops. Dr. Barrett was awarded the OBE in the 2007 New Year's Honors list in recognition of his services to development.

Diji Chandrasekharan Behr

Natural Resources Economist, World Bank
Diji Chandrasekharan Behr is a natural resource economist in the Sustainable Development Forests Team and Program on Forests (PROFOR). At the World Bank, Diji's work focuses on improving livelihoods of forest-dependent households, cross-sectoral issues of forests and land, strategic environmental assessments, and most recently forest and adaptation. Diji has worked in Kenya and Liberia. Prior to joining the Bank, Diji worked in South Asia on forest-based income generation activities, community-based natural resource management, non-timber forest products and value-chain

analysis. Diji has a PhD in natural resource policy and economics.

Pedro Belli

Consultant

Pedro Belli served at the World Bank as a country economist, industrial economist, and economic adviser from 1980 to 2001. His work covered Latin America and Africa, and involved macroeconomic, sectoral, and fiscal policies and advising governments on these policies to improve performance. He work also involved improving the quality of World Bank lending programs and economic analysis. He redesigned the World Bank's guidelines for project evaluation and wrote the Bank's Institute Handbook on Economic Analysis of Projects. Prior to joining the World Bank, Pedro served as a Director at the INCAE'S Advisory Center. Pedro is currently an independent consultant working on trade policies, poverty reduction strategies, public expenditure reviews, and fiscal decentralization.

Anush Bezhanyan

Country Sector Coordinator, World Bank

Anush Bezhanyan is the Country Sector Coordinator of Human Development Sector Unit in the Europe and Central Asia (ECA) region. Anush has been working in the development field for almost 25 years, out of which the last 10 years have been in the Bank's human development sector in the ECA region. Anush is the co-task team leader of the Third Social Fund for Development GFRP project in Yemen.

Benu Bidani

Lead Economist and Sector Leader, World Bank

Benu Bidani is the Lead Economist and Sector Leader in the Poverty Reduction and Economic Management (PREM) unit in the Latin America and Caribbean Region. Benu joined the Bank in 1991 and has since worked in South Asia, Europe and Central Asia, Africa and East Asia and Pacific regions. She is the co-task team leader of the Haiti Second Economic Governance Reform GFRP project.

David Neil Bird

Joanneum Research

David Neil Bird joined Joanneum Research in August, 2005. His main areas of interest and work include: estimation of emissions from bioenergy systems, the influence of changes in surface albedo on environmental benefits of AFOLU projects; evaluation of emission reductions from AFOLU that result from improved land management and use of biomass; methodologies related to reduction in emissions from forest degradation (REDD); and development of unique Clean Development

Mechanism Afforestation/ Reforestation (CDM A/R) projects including methodological development when necessary. In May 2007, he was appointed to the Afforestation/ Reforestation Working Group of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Secretariat.

Neil Bird

Research Fellow, Forest Policy and Environment Program, ODI

Neil Bird is a trained forester and has almost twenty years of experience as a development professional. Prior to joining ODI, Neil worked as a long-term adviser within several forest departments, most recently in Guyana (1999 to 2002) and prior to that in Belize (1992 to 1998) and Ghana (1988 to 1991). Neil's research interests lie in tropical forest management, and much of his work over the last ten years, based in Belize and Guyana, has dealt with the issue of sustainability. He has been involved in the development of forest resource assessment methods, the definition of forest management standards, and the establishment of institutional procedures that promote good forest management. Neil was involved in the recent piloting of the Poverty-Forests Linkages Toolkit.

Mary Bohman

Director, Resource and Rural Economics Division, USDA

Mary Bohman is Director of the Resource and Rural Economics Division of the USDA's Economic Research Service (ERS). Mary joined ERS in 1997 and has served as Deputy Director for Research for ERS's Market and Trade Economics Division (MTED) and Chief of MTED's Europe, Africa, Middle East Branch. Other positions held include details to the Office of Science and Technology Policy and Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, and faculty member in Agricultural Sciences at the University of British Columbia from 1990-1997. Mary received her Ph.D. from the Department of Agricultural Economics, University of California, Davis and her B.S. from the School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University.

Aziz Bouzaher

Lead Environmental Specialist and Climate Change Coordinator, World Bank

Aziz Bouzaher is a Lead Environmental Specialist and Climate Change Coordinator in the World Bank's Africa region, with around 20 years of development experience spanning South Asia, Africa, the Middle East, and Europe and Central Asia, and with a focus on environmental and resource

economics issues. Prior to this position, he spent six years in the field (Egypt and South Africa). He holds a PhD in Mathematical Programming and Economics.

Adolfo Brizzi

Sector Manager, World Bank

Adolfo Brizzi is the Sector Manager of the Agriculture and Rural Development program, for the South Asia Region in the World Bank. He has worked in the World Bank for the last 19 years. Prior to the Bank, he worked at FAO for 8 years. He has a Masters degree in Agriculture Economics and a Masters degree in Environmental Sciences.

Karen Mcconnell Brooks

Sector Manager, World Bank

Karen Mcconnell Brooks is the Sector Manager of Agriculture and Rural Development in the Africa Region of the World Bank. While at the World Bank she has worked in the Europe and Central Asia Region in the Rural Development and Environment Sector as a Principal Economist and as a Lead Specialist. She has also worked in the Agriculture and Natural Resources Department of the Agricultural Policies as a Principal Economist. Prior to joining the World Bank, Dr. Mcconnell Brooks taught in the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics. Dr. Mcconnell Brooks holds a Ph.D. in Economics and a M.A. in Economics both from the University of Chicago, and a B.A. in Political Science from Stanford University.

Colin Bruce

Director, World Bank

Colin Bruce is the Director of Strategy and Operations in the World Bank's Africa region. Since joining the Bank in 1988, he has been a Senior Economist in the South Asia Poverty Reduction and Economic Management unit; an Advisor and Manager in the Operations Policy and Country Services Vice Presidency; and the World Bank Country Director for Kenya.

Bradley Buck

Director, Business and Practice Expansion, Land O'Lakes

Bradley Buck is a program management and agricultural value-chain development professional. He spent 11 years living and working in Africa, designing and managing programs that increased agricultural productivity and agribusiness competitiveness. He served for five years as Chief of Party for Land O'Lakes International Development on a USAID-funded dairy value-chain development program targeting small-holder farmers in Uganda. In 2005, Mr. Buck assumed the role of Deputy Regional Director for Land O'Lakes

International Development based in Nairobi, Kenya. In this role, he designed and provided management and technical support to new small-holder-based dairy and livestock development projects in 14 countries in Africa. Bradley holds a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Tennessee.

Louise E. Buck

Senior Extension Associate, Cornell University

Dr. Buck has been a faculty member in the Department of Natural Resources at Cornell University for 15 years, and a faculty associate of the Cornell International Institute for Food Agriculture and Development for 19 years. She was also an Associate Senior Scientist with the Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR). Presently Dr. Buck coordinates the Cornell Ecoagriculture Working Group. She also coordinates Ecoagriculture Partners' Landscape Measures Initiative (LMI), which aims to help eco-agriculture practitioners and their scientific advisors develop methods for measuring the social, economic and ecological outcomes of landscape scale management practices.

Mike Burness

Vice President of Quality Management and Food Safety, Chiquita Brands Intl.

Mike Burness joined Chiquita Brands Intl in 2008 as Vice-President for Quality Management and Food Safety. Previously he served as Director of Quality Support at Pepsico, Director of Quality Assurance at Pepperidge Farm, and Manager of Worldwide Food Safety Programs at Campbell Soup Company.

Tony Burns

Managing Director, Land Equity International

Land Equity International is a consulting firm specializing in land administration, land management, titling and cadastre assistance programs. Mr. Burns has more than 20 years of extensive experience in surveying, mapping and land management, with expertise in project design, policy review, cadastral survey and mapping procedures, and spatial information systems.

Derek Byerlee

Member, Science Council, CGIAR

Derek Byerlee is currently a Member of the Science Council at CGIAR after completing his assignment as Co-Director of the World Development Report 2008 at the World Bank. In the past, he worked as a Rural Strategy Adviser in the Agriculture and Rural Development Department (ARD) of the

World Bank, and as a Lead Economist for the Agriculture and Rural Development for the Ethiopia and Sudan country offices. Prior to joining the Bank, he was Director of Economics at the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center, Mexico, and Associate Professor, Michigan State University, USA.

Mark Cackler

Sector Manager, World Bank

Mark Cackler joined the World Bank in 1981. His initial assignments in the World Bank's Washington headquarters included working in agriculture and natural resources divisions for East Africa, China, Indonesia and the Pacific Islands. In 1988, he transferred to the Agriculture Unit of the World Bank's New Delhi Office. Following his return to headquarters from India in 1992, Mr. Cackler joined the Latin America and Caribbean Region. In 2000, he was appointed as the Manager, Agriculture and Rural Development for Latin America. In February 2007, Mr. Cackler was appointed Manager of the Agriculture and Rural Development Department of the World Bank.

Tuukka Castrén

Senior Forestry Specialist, World Bank

Tuukka Castrén is a senior forestry specialist and the Forest Law Enforcement and Governance (FLEG) team leader at the World Bank, which he joined in August 2008. Before moving to the Bank he worked with the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Department for Development Policy in his native Finland. He first joined the Ministry as an economic adviser and later became the senior adviser for development policy. Before that he worked with Indufor Oy, a private forest consulting company. Mr. Castrén has university degrees both in forestry and economics from the University of Helsinki.

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Director, IFC

Oscar Chemerinski joined IFC in 1990 as an Investment Officer in the Africa Department. In 2000, Oscar was promoted to Manager of the newly created Health and Education department, and in 2001 he transferred to the Agribusiness department where he built strong relationships with local, regional, and global players, expanding the range of products offered by IFC to Agribusiness clients. In 2007, he was appointed Director of the Agribusiness department. Oscar came to IFC with extensive experience in the private sector, particularly in financial services, in Argentina, Brazil, and the United States.

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Heifer's on-the-ground staff around the world, developing and managing more than 770 projects through 53 country and regional offices. He has been Director of Programs since 1992, being named Senior Vice President of Programs in 2003. He was also the Director of Africa/Near East Programs from 1982 to 1992. Prior to Heifer, Dr. De Vries was a professor and head of the Agricultural Extension and Education Department at Sokoine University in Tanzania. Dr. De Vries was born in The Netherlands and was naturalized as a U.S. citizen in 1961. He is fluent in English, Dutch and Swahili, as well as reading and understanding German. He has a Ph.D. in continuing and vocational education from the University of Wisconsin, an M.S. in cooperative extension (education) and a B.A. in history and religion from Bloomfield College in New Jersey.

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Christopher Delgado is Strategy and Policy Adviser in the Agriculture and Rural Development Department. He also heads the Secretariat for the Bank's Global Food Crisis Response Program (GFRP). Chris came to the Bank in 2006 from nearly 27 years at the International Food Policy Research Institute, where he published extensively on food and agricultural policy. He has held posts in Chad, Burkina Faso, and Kenya, and also led research projects in a dozen other countries of West, East and Southern Africa and South and Southeast Asia. From 2003 until joining the Bank, he was a joint appointee (with IFPRI) of the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) in Nairobi, Kenya.

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Shantayanan Devarajan is the Chief Economist of the World Bank's Africa region. Since joining the World Bank in 1991, he has been a Principal Economist and Research Manager for Public Economics, and the Chief Economist of the Human Development Network, and of the South Asia Region. He was the director of the World Development Report 2004, Making Services Work for Poor People. He has authored or co-authored over 100

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Peter Dewees has been the Lead Environmental Specialist in the Europe and Central Asia (ECA) division since 2002. He joined the Bank in 1994. In the ECA region Peter has been responsible for activities related to the forestry, watershed management, and nature protection subsectors, with a particular interest in the role and impact of EU accession on these sectors. In 2005 he completed a major analytic study on how forest institutions in ECA have responded to the economic transition, focusing specifically on the challenges of institutional reform. Prior to joining ECA, he held the position of Lead Natural Resource Management Specialist in the Africa Region, where, in addition to his natural resource management portfolio, also worked on issues related to environmental policy and institutions; refugee resettlement and reintegration; the conservation and development of cultural heritage; woodfuel management; and community-driven development activities in Ethiopia, Eritrea, Tanzania, and Kenya. Peter led the work on the Armenia national action plan against illegal logging.

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Gerhard Dieterle is currently the Forests Adviser, leading the World Bank Forestry Team in the Sustainable Development Network. He has had 28 years of experience in national and international forest and environmental policies, development policies, consultative processes, projects on sustainable forest management and forest conservation. He holds an MSc. in Forestry and a PhD in technical and economic analyses of alternative timber harvesting, processing and marketing systems. Gerhard has worked with the German forest administration, the European Commission, working in the cabinet of the German minister for agriculture/forestry, FAO, WFP and IFAD. He has also carried out research at the Faculty of Forestry, Freiburg University in Germany. Gerhard has worked in Togo, Indonesia and was the lead forestry specialist in the Europe and Central Asia Region of the World Bank.

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Andrew Dorward

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Andrew Dorward has had a varied career in development, research and training in a range of countries, with a primarily African focus. He has long-term interests in issues affecting the livelihoods of poor rural people, in particular problems associated with seasonality, risk, market access, institutions, and the interactions of agricultural and other activities in rural economies. Current research activities include work on agricultural input subsidies in poor rural economies with regard to their food security, food and labor market, and pro-poor growth impacts. A particular focus of this has been work evaluating the agricultural input subsidy programme in Malawi. He directs postgraduate distance learning programs in agricultural economics and management of rural development.

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Achim Fock joined the World Bank in 1999 as a Young Professional. He has since held various positions in Agricultural and Rural Development Sector Units, including in the Europe and Central Asia Region, the South Asia Region, the East Asia and Pacific Region, and the Africa Region. Since January 2008, he has been based in Addis Ababa and is responsible for tasks related to agricultural and rural development in Ethiopia, ranging from investment operations over analytical work to policy dialogue.

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Gretel Gambarelli is an Environmental Economist with experience in the fields of climate change, integrated natural resources management, agriculture and rural development. Her main areas of expertise include: socioeconomic analysis of environmental impacts including vulnerability to climate change; economic evaluation of adaptation projects; climate change policies; and decision aiding for natural resources management. For the past two years she has been an

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Natalia Gomez completed her graduate program in Rural Development from Javeriana University (Colombia), in Regional Development Planning, and Socio-economic and Environmental Impact Evaluation from Los Andes University (Colombia). In the World Bank, she has worked in several operations in Colombia, including the Rural Productive Partnerships Project, Peace and Development Projects, and the Agricultural Transition Project. She has also worked in the Latin America Integrated Silvopastoral Approaches to Ecosystem Management. She has also been involved in a number of economic and sector work in Colombia and Latin America in general including the Land Policy in Transition, Rural Finance and Agricultural Competitiveness.

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Nalini Kumar

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Nalini Kumar has worked in the Bank since 1995 and has over ten years of evaluation experience. She led two major evaluations of the Bank's work: the review of World Bank Assistance to Agriculture in Sub-Saharan Africa and the evaluation of the Effectiveness of World Bank Support for Community-Based and -Driven Development. She has contributed to numerous thematic and project evaluations of the rural

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Tony Lamb has 12 years experience in a senior legal position within the New South Wales Land Titles Office. He has been engaged as the land law, policy and registration adviser on numerous projects. He was responsible for the review and evaluation of property laws and property registration procedures, drafting project implementing regulations and decrees incorporating new practices and procedures, and conducting property rights law and policy seminars for Lao Government staff. Other countries of experience include Albania, Australia, Bosnia, Bulgaria, Ghana, India, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Macedonia, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, the Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan and Ukraine.

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Keith Paustian is currently leading research in the US and internationally to elucidate the factors and processes controlling soil carbon dynamics and soil greenhouse gas emissions and to develop better methods to measure and predict changes in soil carbon as a function of management and environmental variables. These activities include development and implementation of large-scale computer models of carbon cycling and greenhouse gas emissions for national inventory estimates and for government policy assessment. He is currently serving as Coordinating Lead Author for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change workgroup for National Greenhouse Gas Inventory Methods and is a member of the Scientific Steering Committee for the US Carbon Cycle Science Program.

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