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International Congress

Family farmers propose solutions to the food "crisis".
Are agricultural policies responding?
A dialogue between actors and institutions

Friday 10 October 2008
Città dell’Altra Economia
Largo Dino Frisullo (ex Mattatoio) - Rome

9:30 – 10:00
Welcome
Introduction to the objectives and the organization of the Congress

10:00 – 11:30
Agricultural policies, trade and regional integration

Introduction: Jean Balié, Policy Assistance Division, FAO

Presentations: (10 minutes each)
Philip Kiriro, President, East African Farmers Federation (EAAF)
An African Ambassador to the EU or an ACP officer
Yves Someville, Fédération Wallonne de l’Agriculture, Belgium*
Peter Thompson, Director for Trade and Development, DG Trade, European Commission*

Discussion

11:30 – 12:00 coffee break

12:00 – 13:30
Agricultural policies, models of production and territorial development: family farmers’ responses

Introduction: Pasquale De Muro, Faculty of Economics, University of Rome Three

Presentations (10 minutes each)
Elisabeth Atangana, President of Regional Platform of Peasants Organizations of Central Africa (PROPAC)
Josué Dioné, Director, Food Security & Sustainable Development Division, Economic Commission for Africa*
Ibrahim Assane Mayaki, Executive Director, Rural Hub, Dakar
Géza Varga, Gaia Foundation, Hungary
Catherine Combette, Deputy Head of Unit ACP and South Africa, FAO, Food Aid, DG Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission*

Discussion

13:30 - 15:00 lunch break
15:00 – 17:00
Decision-makers’ panel: What proposals?

Part One

Introduction (10 minutes summary of the morning’s discussions)

Panelists: (15 minutes each)
Ndiogou Fall, President, Network of West Africa Peasant and Agricultural Producers’ Organizations (ROPPA)
Edson Mpiysi, Head of Division, Agriculture and Food Security, African Union Commission*
Sergio Marini, President, Coldiretti - Italy
Philip Mikos, Director, DG Development, B2 Sustainable Management of Natural Resources, European Commission
Mireille Guigaz, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of France at FAO*

Discussion

17:00 – 17:30 coffee break

17:30 – 18:30
Decision-makers’ panel: What proposals?

Part Two

Reactions from international institutions: (15 minutes each)
Modibo Tiémoko Traoré, Assistant Director-General, Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department, FAO*
Jean-Philippe Audinet, Acting Director, Policy Division, IFAD
Michel Thibier, Chair, Committee on World Food Security of FAO*

Last round of panelists (5 minutes each)

18:30
Conclusions

*to be confirmed

Interpretation in English, French and Italian will be available

A lunch and coffee breaks with biological products will be served

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