



Welcome

By kind invitation of the Government of Chile, the Joint Meeting of the Intergovernmental Group (IGG) on Oilseeds, Oils and Fats, the IGG on Grains and the IGG on Rice will be held in Santiago, Chile, from 4 to 6 November 2009. The Joint Meeting is open to Government Representatives and accredited Observers. In conjunction with the Joint Meeting, an informal panel discussion is planned for Thursday (morning) 5 November, on "Market Uncertainties". In addition, a one-day symposium on "Value Chains for Oilseeds, Oils and Fats, Grains and Rice: Status and Outlook" organized by the Government of Chile will be held on Friday 6 November. The panel discussion and the symposium are open to the public, free of charge, but require prior registration.

Venue: Raúl Prebisch Conference Room of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
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http://www.fao.org/es/esc/en/15/120/132/events_584.html

GENERAL INFORMATION ON CHILE:

TIME ZONE

GMT - 4 (from October- March)

AIRPORT AND AIRPORT TAXES:

(Santiago) Arturo Merino Benítez International Airport (SCL) . The airport is located 10km (6 miles) northwest of Santiago.

Arrival tax: There is no arrival tax except for national of Australia, Canada, United States and Mexico, who will be required to pay a tax of varying amount.

Departure tax: A tax (30 USD) is charged on departure from the country, which is included in the price of the ticket.

OTHER INFORMATION:

Language: Spanish

Currency: The unit of currency is the Chilean Peso (CLP). 1 US Dollar is roughly 560 CLP

Electricity: 220 volts

Tap water is safe to drink

LIST OF HOTELS

The host country will provide group transportation between the suggested hotels and the ECLAC headquarters in the morning (08:30 hours) and in the evening (17:30 hours).

- Intercontinental, single 160 USD; double 175 Avda Vitacura 2885, Las Condes <http://www.intercontisantiago.com>
- Director, single 105 USD, double 115 USD Avda Vitacura 3600, Vitacura <http://www.director.cl>
- Atton El Bosque, single and double 110 USD Roger de Flor 2770, Las Condes <http://www.atton.cl>
- Atton Las Condes, single and double 120 USD Avda. Alonso de Córdoba 5199 Las Condes <http://www.atton.cl>
- Novotel, single and double 154 USD, A. Vespucio Norte 1630, Vitacura <http://www.accorhotels.com/es/hotel-5233-novotel-santiago-vitacura/index.shtm>
- El Bosque Park Suites, single 170 USD, double 175 USD. Ebro 2828, Las Condes http://www.plazaelbosque.cl/p&s/_index.html
- Versalles Suites, www.versallessuites.cl

GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE MEETING:

The Joint Meeting can only be attended by Government Representatives and accredited Observers, but both the Panel Discussions and the Symposium are open to the public. Attendance is free of charge but advanced registration is required. The registration form can be downloaded at our website:

http://www.fao.org/es/esc/en/15/120/132/events_584.html

LANGUAGES:

The Sessions will be conducted simultaneously in English, French and Spanish.

ACCOMMODATION:

Participants are advised to make their own hotel arrangements well in advance of the Meeting. Consult the List of Hotels in this brochure or the information document available at the above-mentioned website.

TRANSPORT:

Participants should make their own transport arrangements to and from the airport and during their stay in Chile. The taxi fare from the airport to most hotels is approximately 30 to 35 USD. However, the transfer of 6 to 8 passengers costs about 10 USD per person.

TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS:

Participants requiring entry visas must obtain these from Chilean consulates or diplomatic missions in their country of origin before leaving for Chile. Immigration regulations are strictly enforced at Chilean borders.

ENQUIRIES:

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JOINT MEETING

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP ON
OILSEEDS, OILS AND FATS**

(30th SESSION)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP ON GRAINS

(32nd SESSION)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP ON RICE

(43rd SESSION)

AND

SYMPOSIUM

**VALUE CHAINS FOR OILSEEDS, OILS AND FATS,
GRAINS AND RICE: STATUS AND OUTLOOK**

Santiago, Chile, 4 - 6 November 2009



PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2009

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- Registration
- Opening of the Joint Meeting of the Intergovernmental Group (IGG) on Oilseeds, Oils and Fats, the IGG on Grains and the IGG on Rice

THURSDAY, 5 NOVEMBER 2009

- Panel discussion
- Continuation of the Joint Meeting

FRIDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2009

- Registration
- Symposium on 'Value Chain: Present situation and outlook for oilseeds, oils and fats, grains and rice'



08.30-09.30 Registration

09.30-10.30 Opening of the Joint Meeting of the Intergovernmental Group on Oilseeds, Oils and Fats, the Intergovernmental Group on Grains and the Intergovernmental Group on Rice (*Graziano da Silva, Regional Representative and Assistant Director-General for Latin America and the Caribbean, FAO*)
Introduction (*Her Excellency, Marigen Hornkohl Venegas, Minister of Agriculture, Chile*)

10.30-13.30

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

- Election of chairperson and two vice-chairpersons
- Adoption of the provisional agenda and timetable

II. MARKET DEVELOPMENTS AND SHORT-TERM OUTLOOK

III. MEDIUM TERM MARKET PROJECTIONS

- Wheat and coarse grains
- Rice
- Oilseeds, oils and meals

13.30-15.30 **Lunch**

15.30-18.00

III. MEDIUM TERM MARKET PROJECTIONS (CONT.)

IV. POLICY DEVELOPMENTS

- Policy changes in the rice sector (Follow-up to the Guidelines for National and International Action on Rice)
- Policy changes in the oilseeds sector (Follow-up to the Guidelines for International Cooperation in the Oilseeds, Oils and Oilmeals sector)
- The recent surge in cereal prices – implications for policies

THURSDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2009

10.30-13.30

V. POLICY DEVELOPMENTS

PANEL DISCUSSION ON MARKET UNCERTAINTIES (OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, FREE OF CHARGE, PRIOR REGISTRATION)

This informal panel discussion brings together leading experts to discuss two distinctive topics:

- the role of financial and energy sectors in recent hikes and successive falls of food prices and
- coping with climate change

INVITED EXPERTS INCLUDE:

Prof. E. Bobenrieth, University of Concepcion, Chile
Prof. L. Horta, Federal University of Itajubá, Brazil (currently CEPAL)
Prof. F. Rose, Lewis University, USA
Dr. J. Schmidhuber, FAO, Geneva
Prof. B. Wright, University of California, Berkeley, USA
Dr. M. von Lampe, OECD, France
Dr. Luis Miguel Galindo, CEPAL
Ms. Estefanía Puricelli, Instituto de Estudios Económicos, Bolsa de Cereales, Argentina

13.30-15.30 **Lunch**

15.30-18.00

VI. DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING THE COMMON FUND FOR COMMODITIES (CFC)

- Review of developments of relevance to the CFC and to the IGGs on Rice, Grains and Oilseeds, Oils and Fats
- Presentation on by CFC on the Fund's role and operational modalities for commodity development activities

VII. OTHER MATTERS

- Activities of other international organizations of interest to the Joint Meeting
- Outcome of the 67th session of the Committee on Commodity Problems (CCP) related to the role of the intergovernmental groups
- Date and place of the next Session of the three groups
- Closure (**FAO**)

FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2009

SYMPOSIUM ORGANIZED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF CHILE

VALUE CHAIN: PRESENT SITUATION AND OUTLOOK FOR OILSEEDS, OILS AND FATS, GRAINS AND RICE

09.00-09.30 Registration

09.30-10.00 Welcome address (*Margarita Flores de la Vega, Deputy Regional Representative for Latin America and the Caribbean and FAO Representative in Chile*)

10.00-14.00 **TABLE 1: WORLD MARKET: RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION** (*Moderator: Margarita Flores, FAO Representative*)

- Research, improving and development of soya varieties (*James Orf., University of Minnesota*)

10.30-10.50 **Coffee break**

- Research development and innovation in wheat (*Hans-Joachim Braun or Javier Peña, Cimmyt*)
- Research, development and innovation in corn (*Antonio Corsetti Purcino, Embrapa, Brazil*)
- Research, development and innovation in rice (*Patricio Méndez del Villar, CIRAD, France*)
- Debate and closure (*Moderator: FAO*)

13.30-18.00 **TABLE 2: MARKET IN CHILE: CURRENT SITUATION, PERSPECTIVES AND POTENTIALITIES** (*Moderator: Rodrigo Vega Alarcón, Foundation for Agrarian Innovation*)

- Agrarian policies - demands and offers of seeds and grains (*Iván Nazif A., ODEPA*)

14.00-14.45 **Lunch**

- Oilseeds and cereals production (*Mario Schindler, ANPROS*)
- Current situation and perspectives of the oilcrops in Chile (*Waldo Cerón D., Agrosearch*)
- Cereals genetic improvement (*Iván Matus, INIA*)

16.15-16.30 **Coffee break**

- Edible oils, mediterranean diets and Chile (*Federico Leighton P, CNMEC-UC*)
- Value chain of grains in Chile (*Eric von Baer, ANPROS*)
- Debate and closure (*Moderator: FIA*)
- Closure (*FAO and Ministry of Agriculture*)