

# HUMBOLDT FORUM FOR FOOD AGRICULTURE AND NUTRITION

Looking at the World Food Problem with Fresh Eyes:  
New Insights, Causes and Consequences for Policy  
Makers

Inaugural Meeting of the  
Humboldt Forum for Food, Agriculture and Nutrition  
Davos, Switzerland, 1 – 3 February 2009

*The HFFAN is the premier virtual think tank which brings together a unique and dynamic mix of internationally leading thinkers and movers from science, civil society and industry to develop new and fresh policy recommendations for the future of food, agriculture and nutrition.<sup>1</sup>*

## PROGRAM

Sunday, 1 February 2009

13:00 **Get together: Lunch**

14:30 **Agenda Setting and Warming Up**

15:00 **Driving Forces of Global Agricultural Markets**

Session Chair: Philip von dem Bussche, KWS

*World Food Security: The role of bio-energy*

Presenter: Harald von Witzke, Humboldt University

15:30 **Discussion**

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**16:00 Bio-energy and Food Production –**

**A Potential Conflict Waiting to be Addressed**

Session Chair: Joseph A. Stanislaw, JAStanislaw Group

*Global Bio-energy Markets*

Presenter: Paul de Moudt, Royal Dutch Shell

*Energy Technologies: What is Ahead?*

Presenter: Joseph A. Stanislaw, JAStanislaw Group

**17:00 Discussion**

**18:30 Reception followed by Dinner**

**Monday, 2 February 2009**

**9:00 Innovation and Productivity Growth in Agriculture**

Session Chair: Willy de Greef, EuropaBio

*Determinants of Agricultural Innovation and Productivity Growth*

Presenter: Phil Pardey, International Science and Technology  
Practice and Policy (InSTePP) Center, University of  
Minnesota USA

**9:30 Discussion**

**10:00 World food security**

Session Chair: K. L. Heong, IRRI

*Productivity Growth in Developing Countries*

Conversation: Klaus von Grebmer, IFPRI  
Rainer von Mielecki, BASF

*Discussion of policy recommendations*

**11:30 Bio-energy**

Session Chair: David Evans, Dae Bioscience Associates

*Discussion of policy recommendations*

**13:00 Lunch**

**14:30 Parallel sessions: Drafting policy recommendations**

1. World Food Security: Robin Johnson, Cargill Foundation

2. Bio-energy: J. B. Penn, John Deere

**16:00 Discussion of future terms of cooperation and terms for HFFAN**

Session Chair: Harald von Witzke, Humboldt University

**19:00 Dinner in the Sertig Valley at Restaurant “Zum Bergführer”**

**Tuesday, 3 February 2009**

**09:00 Plenary discussion of policy recommendations**

Session Chair: Harald von Witzke, Humboldt University

**11:00 End of Meeting/Lunch/Departure**