



AARES

AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURAL &
RESOURCE ECONOMICS SOCIETY

AARES National Conference 2010

Adelaide Convention Centre



Adelaide, South Australia | February 10-12, 2010 (Preconference workshops February 8-9)

Government Roles in Resource-Based Industries in an Interconnected World

It is with great pleasure that the Organising Committee extend to you a warm invitation to attend the 54th Annual AARES National Conference, to be held in Adelaide, South Australia from February 10-12, 2010 (Pre Conference workshops, February 8-9).

The Conference promises to be an exciting and informative event, bringing a diverse range of delegates from all sectors of agriculture and resource management together in one of Australia's premier conference venues, the Adelaide Convention Centre.

MAIN PROGRAM (February 10-12)

A host of local and international speakers have been sourced to enhance the 2010 Conference, which promises to be an informative and dynamic event. **Featured speakers** include: John Freebairn, Ross Kingwell, Will Martin, Steve Polasky, and Peter Timmer.

INVITATION TO SUBMIT CONTRIBUTED PAPERS OR MINI-SYMPOSIUM

The AARES 2010 Conference Organising Committee invites you to submit abstracts for consideration for either **contributed papers** or **mini-symposium** to be included in the Conference program.

The mini-symposium format option is an exciting addition to the 2010 program designed to highlight new ideas or issues relevant to our profession, increase program diversity and encourage innovation and discussion from the AARES membership and AARES 2010 attendees. Thus, the organizing committee would like to invite submissions for a limited number of mini-symposium. Mini-symposium should fit into a 1.5-hour time slot. Mini-symposium proposals could include a set of speakers and papers focusing on a specific theme or important issue, several "headline" speakers and selected discussants, short presentations from a panel of speakers followed by a general discussion or a Q&A session, or any other configuration that best serves the purpose of the session. Innovation is encouraged, as are presentations by technical, policy and other experts outside the usual AARES membership. Symposium proposals which focus on topics relevant to the conference theme may be considered for a special issue of a forthcoming peer-reviewed journal.

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS (February 8-9)

Pre-conference workshops have been developed to provide delegates with an in-depth look at resource-based industries.

World Wine Markets by 2030 (February 8-9)

Conveners: Kym Anderson, University of Adelaide and Julian Alston, University of California, Davis

Environmental Economics (February 9)

Convener: Jeff Bennett, Australian National University

The Role of Value-Chain Research in Agriculture and Food Policy (February 9)

Conveners: Randy Stringer, University of Adelaide and Gavan Dwyer, Victorian Department of Primary Industries

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT OR MINI-SYMPOSIUM PROPOSAL VISIT

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John Freebairn graduated with a PhD from the University of California (Davis) in 1972 and then worked at the NSW Department of Agriculture until 1974, where he was senior economist. John became a Research Fellow at the Research School of Social Sciences at ANU in 1974 before moving as a Professor of Agricultural Economics at La Trobe University from 1977 until 1984. From 1984 until 1986 John took over the responsibilities of Research Director at the Business Council of Australia. He joined Monash University in 1986 as Deputy Director in the Centre of Policy Studies. In 1991 he moved to the Department of Economics at Monash and at various times was Chairman of the Department and Deputy Dean and Dean of the Faculty. John joined the University of Melbourne in 1996. He was Head of Department from 1997—2002 and Director of the Melbourne Institute from April 2005 to April 2007. In 2008 Professor John Freebairn was appointed as the Ritchie Chair, founded by R.B. Ritchie in memory of his son who had been killed in World War I.



Ross Kingwell An agricultural economist with over 25 years experience in research and provision of policy advice, he is currently employed as chief economist in the Department of Agriculture and Food (WA) and as a professor in agricultural economics at the University of Western Australia. He's president of AARES and has over 100 published book chapters and articles in peer reviewed journals. He has wide experience spanning strategic analysis through to farm-level analysis. His chief research interest is farming systems research.

William (Will) Martin is the newly appointed Research Manager for Rural Development in the World Bank. He trained in agricultural economics, and has written extensively on agricultural trade policy reform and complementary reforms in developing countries. Much of his work has focused on reforms negotiated under the World Trade Organization, such as agreements on textiles and clothing, and on agriculture. His primary regional focus has been on East Asia. He has published widely in journals, and books, including recent studies of global trade reform, implications of food prices for poverty, and of China's accession to the WTO.



Steve Polasky holds the Fesler-Lampert Chair in Ecological and Environmental Economics at the University of Minnesota, with a joint appointment in the Department of Applied Economics and the Department of Ecology, Evolution and Behavior. He received a PhD in Economics from the University of Michigan in 1986. He previously held faculty positions in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics at OregonStateUniversity and the Department of Economics at BostonCollege. Dr. Polasky was the senior staff economist for environment and resources for the President's Council of Economic Advisers 1998-1999. He is a Founding Fellow of the Institute on the Environment at the University of Minnesota, a Research Fellow of the Beijer Institute of Ecological Economics in Stockholm, and a University Fellow at Resources for the Future in Washington, DC. He was elected as a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 2007. He has served on

two committees for the EPA's Science Advisory Board: Valuing the Protection of Ecological Systems and Services Committee and the Environmental Economics Advisory Committee. He has also served on the Committee on Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration for the U.S. Department of Interior and is currently serving on the Science Council of The Nature Conservancy. His research interests include biodiversity conservation, integrating ecological and economic analysis, ecosystem services, renewable energy, environmental regulation, and common property resources. His papers have been published in *Ecological Applications*, *Journal of Economics Perspectives*, *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, *International Economic Review*, *Land Economics*, *Nature*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *Science* and other journals.

Peter Timmer is a scholar-practitioner with interests in economic history and development. As a faculty member at Stanford, Cornell, three faculties at Harvard, and the University of California, San Diego, Timmer taught courses on pathways out of rural poverty, the structural transformation in historical perspective, and the role of agriculture in economic development. As a policy advisor, mostly in Indonesia, China and Vietnam, he focused on the special nature of rice economies and the relationship between domestic markets for rice and price formation in the world market. His work in the 1980s on the design and implementation of stabilization policies for rice prices in large Asian countries remains influential in judging current price policies. Since early in 2007, Timmer has been deeply involved in understanding the causes of the 2007/08 world food crisis, as well as in actions at both national and international efforts to resolve it. This is a role he also played during the world food crisis of 1973/74. Timmer is Thomas D. Cabot Professor of Development Studies, *emeritus*, Harvard University.

