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WYE CITY GROUP

on Statistics on Rural Development
and Agricultural Household Income

May 24-25, 2010

Economic Research Service
Waugh Auditorium
1800 M St NW
Washington, DC 20036



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Monday, May 24

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.

Registration

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and keynote speeches

Chair: Robert Gibbs, *Economic Research Service*

Welcome and U.S. perspective

Kitty Smith, *Administrator,*
Economic Research Service

World Bank perspective

Mark Cackler, *Sector Manager, Agricultural and*
Rural Development, World Bank

Perspective from Uganda

E.S.K. Muwanga-Zake, *Chairman,*
Uganda Bureau of Statistics

Perspective from Brazil

Eduardo Pereira Nunes, *President,*
Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics

Comments/discussion

11:00 – 11:15 a.m.

Coffee

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Handbook and Supplement on Agricultural and Rural Household Statistics

Chair: Fay Abizadeh, *Agriculture Canada*

Structure of Handbook and Supplement

Graham Eele, *World Bank*

12:15 – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch

1:15 – 2:15 p.m.

Handbook and Supplement (*continued*)

Questions/discussion

2:15 – 3:45 p.m.

Paper session 1:

Measurement of Household Well-Being

Chair: Naman Keita, *FAO*

Rethinking rural well-being and poverty

Pasquale De Muro, *Università degli Studi Roma Tre*

A broader perspective of measuring the well-being of rural farm and nonfarm households

David Culver, *AAFC*

Systematic patterns of deviation between measures of income and consumption in developing countries

Alberto Zezza, *FAO*

Questions/discussion

3:45 – 4:00 p.m.

Coffee

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Paper session 2:

Dynamics of Assets, Income and Consumption

Chair: Jeffrey Smith, *Statistics Canada*

Improving the availability, quality and policy-relevance of agricultural data:

The Living Standards Measurement Study – Integrated Surveys on Agriculture

Gero Carletto, *World Bank*

A study of rural household expenditure inequality and poverty: Sources and implications for sustainable rural communities in Nepal

Ajoy Bista, *University of Guelph*

Questions/discussion

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Reception at World Bank

Tuesday, May 25

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

**Paper session 3:
Data Sources and Measurement of Well-Being
in Latin America**

Chair: Koen Boone, *WUR*

Agricultural households in the context of the household surveys and Agricultural Census in Brazil

Flavio Bolliger, *IBGE*

A characterization of poverty incidence and income profiles of rural households in twelve Latin American countries

Adrián Rodríguez, *CEPAL*

Central American comparisons of LSMS-ISA data collection and dissemination efforts

Carlos Alberto Zuniga González,
National University of Nicaragua

Questions/discussion

Coffee

10:30 – 10:45 a.m.

**Paper session 4:
Special Topics**

Chair: Edoardo Pizzoli, *ISTAT*

The aggregation problem in its historical perspective:
A summary overview

Giancarlo Lutero, *ISTAT*

Gender issues in agricultural and rural household well-being

Mary Ahearn, *Economic Research Service*

10:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

12:45 – 2:00 p.m.

Linkages between crude oil exploration and agricultural development in Nigeria: Implications for relevant qualitative data collection and analysis to improve rural economy

T.G. Apata, *Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Nigeria*

Remote rural regions in the EU and North America

Vicente Ruiz, *OECD*, and *Lewis Dijkstra, EC*

Questions/discussion

Lunch

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Working group session:

The Way Forward for the Wye City Group

Chair: *Graham Eele, World Bank*

Some ideas on the way forward

Fred Vogel, World Bank

Naman Keita, FAO

Cynthia Clark, USDA/NASS

Organization of working groups

Robert Gibbs and John Pender,

Economic Research Service

Working group discussion of key questions

Coffee

4:00 – 4:15 p.m.

Plenary discussion of working group findings and wrap up

Chair: *Mary Bohman, Economic Research Service*

4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Kitty Smith is the administrator of the Economic Research Service. In this position, she provides leadership and guidance on the agency's research agenda, coordinates with agencies and institutions within and outside USDA, and contributes to USDA's science mission. As a researcher and research manager, Kitty's principal areas of expertise have been in policy analysis, particularly agricultural and resource policy integration and the relationships among agricultural production and environmental quality. Her work is published in several books and a range of scholarly journals, USDA reports, and numerous popular outlets. Kitty is a fellow of the American Applied Economics Association. As a research administrator, she was awarded the residential Rank Award for Meritorious Executives in 2001.

Mark Cackler is manager of the World Bank's Agriculture and Rural Development Department. Cackler joined the World Bank in 1981, after working as an overseas representative for John Deere Intercontinental, Ltd., based in Thailand. Cackler's initial assignments in the World Bank's Washington headquarters included 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 from India in 1992, Mr. Cackler joined the Latin America and Caribbean Region. In 2000, he was appointed manager of the 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, where he oversees the World Bank's global programs for rural poverty alleviation, agriculture, and natural resources management. Mr. Cackler was raised in Moline, Illinois. He has economics degrees from Oberlin College, Ohio, and the University of Jyvaskyla in Finland, and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

E.S.K. Muwanga-Zake has served as chairman for the Uganda Bureau of Statistics (UBOS) Board of Directors since July 2008. He holds a B.S. in economics and statistics from the Institute of Statistics and Applied Economics, (ISAE), Makerere University, Uganda (1974); an M.S. in statistics from Kansas State University (1976); and a Ph.D in agricultural statistics from the School of Development Studies, University of East

Anglia, UK (1987). He is also a member of the International Statistical Institute (January 1998) and a fellow of the Royal Statistical Society (March 2001). Dr. Muwanga-Zake lectured in agricultural statistics at the ISAE (1976-88) and, in 1988, he was the founding secretary of the Uganda Statistical Society. He was a senior economist/statistician at the agricultural secretariat for the Bank of Uganda (1989-1994) and the commissioner for statistics at the Statistics Department (head of the then Central Statistics Office) (1994-8). During this period, he spearheaded the transformation of the department into the Uganda Bureau of Statistics (UBOS). He became a full department head in the Bank of Uganda (2002-06) before retiring. Since retiring, he returned to ISAE at Makerere University and has continued with private consultancy work.

Eduardo Pereira Nunes holds a Ph.D in economics and has been president of the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE) since February 2003. During his time at IBGA, he was chief of national accounts for 11 years and chief of regional accounts for 4 years, before becoming President. He is also professor of economics at PUC University of Rio de Janeiro. At the international level, Nunes was president of the 17th International Conference of Labor Statistics (ILO, Geneva, 2003), president of the Rio Group on Poverty Statistics (UNSC, NY, 2003 – 06), and president and member of Bureau of the Conference of American Statisticians (Santiago, 2003-06). He is currently the president of the Committee on Tourism Statistics (WTO, Madrid, 2006–10); Chair of the Friends of the Chair Group of the 40th United Nations Statistical Commission to elaborate a Global Strategy Plan to improve national and international food and agricultural statistics (UN, NY, 2009-10); vice president of the Bureau of the Conference of European Statisticians (Geneve, 2006-11), and a member of the ICP Executive Board of UNSC to organize the ICP 2011 Round (UNSC, NY, 2008-09).



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