



# Global Food Supply - Import & Export Issues

A 1½ day, stand-alone session.

Part of the Global Aspects of Crop Production, Crop Protection and Food Supply Conference.

**23 October 2006** Scottish Exhibition & Conference Centre, Glasgow, Scotland, UK

## Session overview

Modern consumers have high expectations in terms of the quality, variety and year-round availability of their food. In order to satisfy this demand, retailers have to source food world-wide. This leads to a global market place where imports and exports are required to fulfil local needs.



This session will examine the implications of this global market place from the point of view of the grower, the retailer and the regulator. Speakers will assess the technical issues involved in growing, storing and moving food-stuffs around the world. Also considered will be the growing environmental and ethical responsibilities that go hand-in-hand with food production.



## Key topics

- The global market – a grower's view
- Does free trade exist?
- Food – waste not, want not
- Food miles – an indicator of sustainability
- Regulating and monitoring natural toxins
- Global trade of organic produce
- Harmonising global MRLs
- Post harvest treatments and trade
- Enforced protocols and food production



**Programme and speaker details on page two**



## Monday 23 October 2006

- 14:30 Chairman's introduction**  
Dr Caroline Harris,  
*Exponent International, Harrogate, UK*
- The pro's and con's of a global market – the grower's perspective**  
*Speaker to be advised*
- Looking towards harmonised global MRL's**  
Mike Skidmore, *Syngenta, Bracknell, UK*
- Does free trade really exist?**  
John McAllion, *Oxfam, Glasgow, UK*
- 16:30 Discussion and session ends**

## Tuesday 24 October 2006

- 09:00 Chairman's introduction**
- Food waste – waste not, want not**  
Alex Green, *FareShare, London, UK*
- The growth in trade of organic produce**  
Carey Coombs,  
*Soil Association Scotland, Edinburgh, UK*
- Food miles – an indicator of sustainable food production?**  
Paul Watkiss,  
*AEA Technology Environment, Didcot, UK*
- 10:30 Coffee**
- 11:00 The global market place – the retailer's role in food monitoring**  
Simon Press, *ASDA Wal-Mart, Leeds, UK*
- Discussion**
- 12:30 Lunch and exhibition**
- 14:00 Natural toxins, risk regulation and monitoring**  
Dr Ronald Schothorst,  
*National Institute for Public Health and the Environment, (RIVM), Bilthoven, The Netherlands*
- Post harvest treatment and global trade**  
Mike Kelly, *Acheta, Bicester, UK*
- The effects of protocols on food production**  
David Hudson, *Potato Services, Wisbech, UK*
- 16:00 Discussion and session ends**
- Session Organiser**  
Caroline Willetts, *Syngenta, Bracknell, UK*

## Other sessions to attend

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### Global aspects of crop protection

- Risk assessment
- Risk management & risk communication

### Factors affecting crop production

- Beneficial organisms
- Soil and water protection

### Global food supply

- Sustainable food supply

### Outsourcing agrochemical development work

### Pesticide residues & food safety

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