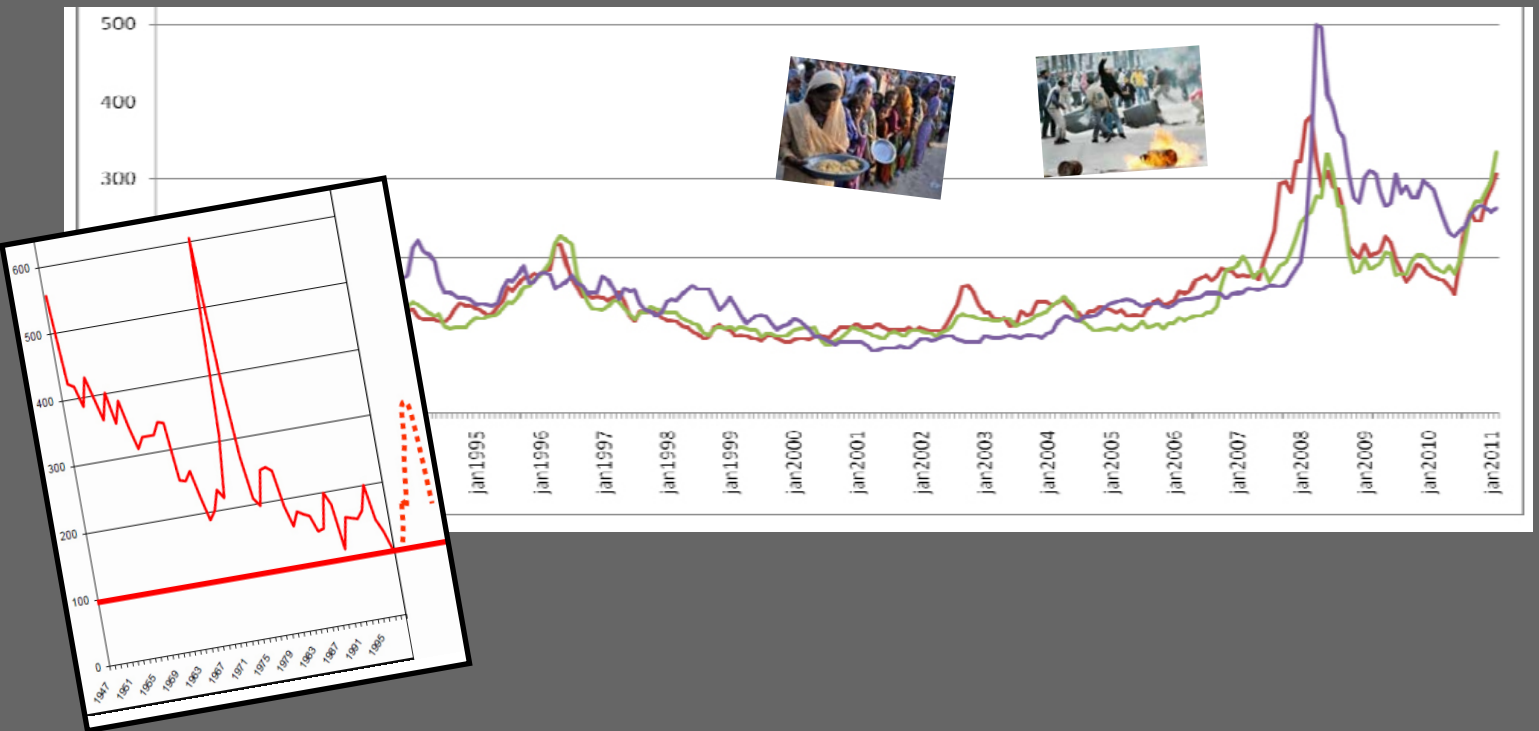


European Seminar



Agricultural market volatility

Consequences and political actions

Tuesday, 21 June 2011

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

in the European Parliament (Brussels)

(Luxembourg place entrance, Room PHS 7C50)

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The issue of agricultural market volatility has become increasingly important over the past four years. Whilst a consensus reigns amongst decision-makers to the effect that the problem will continue in the coming years, initiatives to deal with it are scattered, focus on the short run, target the effects rather than the causes of such volatility, and are often uncoordinated.

Events over the past few months have led several countries, international organizations, and forces of civil society to take initiatives. Examples are the GREMA case studies, discussion of commodity and food price volatility on the agenda of the G20 Agriculture Ministers' meeting on 24-25 May, the 3 may International organisation report, Committee on World Food Security's (CFS) High Level Panel of Experts Group's report, European Commission's communication on commodity markets and raw materials, economic commission UE-ACP report, and so on.

The aim of this European seminar will be to clarify the issues and put the most relevant actions back at the top of the political agenda.

	Ouverture	
10h00	Marc Tarabella Virginie Pissoort	(Belgium) Member of the agricultural commission of the EP (S&D) (Belgium) SOS Faim
	Introduction	
10h10	Nicolas Bricas	(France) CIRAD Volatility: why is it important to address it?
	Agricultural Policy instruments	
10h25	Isabel Vilalba	(Spain) European Coordination Via Campesina The milk sector regulation and supply management in Europe
10h40	Ousmane N'Diaye	(Sénégal) Asprodeb Price stabilization of local cereals in West Africa
10h55	Daniel De La Torre	(USA) Institute of Agriculture, University of Tennessee) Regulatory policies in the U.S.
11h10	Patrick Veillard	(Belgium) Information and Research Centre of Consumer Organisations CRIOC Impacts on consumers
11h15	Questions	
	International regulation instruments	
11h25	Thierry Kesteloot	(Belgium) Oxfam Solidarité International governance on food price volatility
11h40	Markus Henn	(Germany) Financial markets officer at World Economy, Ecology & Development (WEED) Regulatory policies at EU and G20 level
11h55	Questions	
12h00	Panel “policy responses from an European perspective?”	
	Tassos Haniotis European Commission DG Agri, Rares Nicolescu MEP PPE (Roumania), Marc Tarabella MEP S&D (Belgium), Charles Goerens MPE ADLE (Luxembourg), José Bové MEP Green (France), Gabrielle Zimmer MEP GUE (Germany)	
12h40	Debate	
13h00	Conclusion	
	Daniel Van Der Steen (Belgium) Collectif Stratégie Alimentaire	



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