Joint 111th EAAE – IAAE Seminar

Small Farms: Decline or Persistence?

University of Kent

26th-27th June 2009
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Provisional programme

25th June (Thursday)

17:00-19:00 Registration Kent Business School foyer
19:00-20:30 Welcome Reception Dolce Vita Restaurant, Keynes College

26th June (Friday)

08:30-09:00 Registration Kent Business School foyer

09:00-09:30 Official Opening Kent Business School Lecture Theatre (KBS LT)

Welcome by:
Julia Goodfellow – Vice Chancellor, University of Kent
David Colman – President, IAAE (Emeritus Professor, University of Manchester)
Sophia Davidova - Honorary Director, CEAS (Department of Economics, University of Kent)
Csaba Forgács - Former President, EAAE (Corvinus University of Budapest)

09:30-11:00 Plenary session (1): Small Farms and Development
Kent Business School Lecture Theatre (KBS LT)

Chair: David Colman

P.Hazell (Imperial College): Small Farms in Developing Countries: Policy Lessons Learnt (1)
J.F.M. Swinnen (University of Leuven): Endogenous Agricultural Structures (2)

11:00-11:30 Coffee break Kent Business School foyer
11:30-13:00 Contributed paper parallel session 1

Session 1.1 Farm Size, Growth and Exit?

**Chair:** Claire Jack

P.J. Lund  What Do We Mean by a ‘Small Farm’? (081)

C. Hubbard  Small Farms in the EU: How Small is Small? (093)

Z. Bakucs and I. Fertő  Survival and Farm Growth in a Transition Country – The Hungarian Case (080)

P. Karfakis  The Economic and Social Weight of Small Scale Agriculture. Evidence from the Rural Income Generating Activities Survey Data (091)

Session 1.2 Persistence of small farms – country specific analyses

**Chair:** Dan Petrovici

M. Vittuari and A. Segrè  Institutional Reforms and Small Farms in Republika Srpska (118)

C Alboiu  Subsistence Agriculture In Romania- A Modus Vivendi? (086)

D. Cimpoieş, Z. Lerman and A. Racul  The Economics of Land Consolidation in Family Farms of Moldova (062)

E. Vounouki  The Greek Small Farms Paradigm: Between Decline and Persistence (115)

Session 1.3 Agri-environmental and other non-monetary output of small farms; organic farming

**Chair:** Johan Swinnen

N. Röder and J. Kantelhardt  Integrating Small Farms in Agent Based Models (055)


I Fertő and C. Forgács  Is Organic Farming a Chance for Family Farms to Survive? (110)

13:00-14:00 Lunch

Kent Business School foyer
14:00-15:30 **Plenary session (2): The role of small farms in the EU New Member States and in the Former Soviet Union**

**Chair:** Willi Meyers

C. Csaki (Corvinus University of Budapest)  
Small Farms in Central and Eastern Europe: Is there a Future? (3)

S. Davidova, L. Fredriksson and A. Bailey (University of Kent)  
Subsistence and Semi-subsistence Farming in Selected EU New Member States (4)

G. Buchenrieder, J. Fritzsch, S. Wegener, J. Curtiss and S. Gomez y Paloma (IAMO Halle)  
Semi-subsistence Farm Households and the Non-farm Rural Economy - Perspectives and Challenges (5)

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break

16:00-17:30 **Contributed paper parallel session 2**

**Session 2.1 On the way to survival: specialisation and/or diversification?**

**Chair:** Michael Wallace

P. Perrier-Cornet and M. Aubert  
Is There a Future for Small Farms in Developed Countries? Evidence from the French Case (096)

J. Möllers and G. Buchenrieder  
Effects of Rural Non-Farm Employment on Economic Vulnerability and Income Distribution of Small Farms in Croatia (111)

J. Brooks, D. Cervantes-Godoy and E. Jonasson  
Strategies for Smallholders in Developing Countries: Commercialisation, Diversification and Exit (128)

T. Kilic and C. Carletto  
Non-Traditional Export Crops and Household Livelihood Strategies: Panel Data Evidence from Guatemala (063)

**Session 2.2 Theoretical models and empirical estimations**

**Chair:** Alastair Bailey

P.L. Scandizzo and S. Savastano  
Optimal Farm Size under Uncertain Land Market: The Case of Kirgiz Republic (072)

S. Hüttel and A. Margarian  
The Role of Small Farms in Structural Change (094)

H. Kim and J.-K. Kim  
Adjustment Capacity of Korean Farm Household (065)
Session 2.3 Farmers goals, attitudes and strategies

Chair: Laure Latruffe

G. Armagan and A. Ozden  Entrepreneurial Attitudes and Behaviours in Small-Scale Dairy Farms in Turkey (050)

G. Lien, O.J. Bergfjord and Ø. Hoveid  Life and Work on Small-scale Farms in Norway: An Outlook Based on Survey Results Linked to Financial Data (088)

C. Salvioni, L. Esposito, R. Henke, and V. Rondinelli  Diversification Strategies in Small Farms in Italy (060)

H. Bergmann and K.J. Thomson  Farmers’ Survival Strategies in the North of Scotland (057)

19:00 Drinks for **19:30 Conference Dinner**  The Darwin Suite, Darwin College - University of Kent
27th June (Saturday)

09:00-11:00 Contributed paper parallel session 3

Session 3.1 Small farmers within the modern supply chain: integration and challenges

Chair: Csaba Forgacs

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C. Bignebat, A. Koc, and S. Lemeilleur  Linking Small Producers to Supermarkets? The Decisive Role of Intermediaries on the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Market in Turkey (098)
E.T. Micheels and H. R. Gow  Positional Advantage within Small Farms: Evidence from Illinois (044)
I. Blazkova and T. Sadilek  Position and Perspectives of Small Farms with Respect to the Structure Development of Subsequent Vertical Link (105)

Session 3.2 CAP impact on small farms

Chair: Ken Thomson

KBS Symposium Room

K. Van Herck  Government Payments and Rural Labour Adjustments (131)
C. Jack, M. T.Wallace and J. E. Moss  “Waiting For Godot”- Restructuring on Small Family Farms (058)
F. Lambarraa and Z. Kallas  Policy Impact on Technical Efficiency of Spanish Olive Farms located in Less Favored Area (070)
C. Russo and M. Sabbatini  The Crisis of Small Farms in Central Italy: Can Farmer Turnover Slow Down the Downfall? (071)
P. Mundler, J.C Jauneau, B. Guermonprez and J. Pluvignage  The Sustainability of Small Dairy Farms in Six Regions of France. The Role of Strategic Resources and Local Institutions (054)
Session 3.3 Smallholders access to credit and support services

Chair: Gertrud Buchenrieder

P. Labarthe and C. Laurent  Transformations of Agricultural Extension Services in the EU: Towards a Lack of Adequate Knowledge for Small-scale Farms (103)
S.Pillarisetti and N. Mehrotra  Credit Markets for Small Farms: Role for Institutional Innovations (100)
G. Owuor  Can Group Based Credit Uphold Smallholder Farmers Productivity and Reduce Poverty in Africa? Empirical Evidence from Kenya (025)
B. Gebremedhin, M. Jaleta and D. Hoekstra  Smallholders, Institutional Services and Economic Transformation: Evidence from Ethiopia (040)
S. Mittal, S. Gandhi and G. Tripathi  Impact on Indian Small Farmers Through Use of Mobiles (039)

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11:30-12:30 Contributed paper parallel session 4

Session 4.1 Small Farms in the US

Chair: Willi Meyers

A. Effland and M. C. Ahearn  US Farm Policy and Small Farms (133)

Session 4.2 Agricultural policy and efficiency of smallholders

Chair: Jonathan Brooks

G. Owuor and O.A. Shem  What are the Key Constraints in Technical Efficiency of Smallholder Farmers in Africa? Empirical Evidence from Kenya (026)
A. Ferjani and L. Latruffe  Could Small Dairy Farms in Switzerland compete with their French Counterparts? A Metafrontier Analysis over 1990-2004 (056)
E. Kaditi and E. Nitsi  A Two-stage Productivity Analysis using Bootstrapped Malmquist Index and Quantile Regression (075)
Session 4.3 Family farms: succession, flexibility and competitiveness

**Chair:** Imre Fertő

M. Calus and L. Lauwers Persistence of Family Farms, Learning From its Dynamics (099)

J L. Kirner, J. Hambrusch, and K. Ortner The Persistence of Small Dairy Farms in Austria From An Economic Perspective (090)

S. Renner, H. Hockmann, A. Pieniadz, and T. Glauben On Flexibility in the Polish Farming Sector (069)

12:30-13:30 Lunch

**Poster session**

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15:30-17:00 **Contributed paper parallel session 5**

Session 5.1 Non-farm employment of smallholders

**Chair:** Sophia Davidova

A. Pieniadz, S. Renner, C. Rathmann, T. Glauben and J-P Loy Income Diversification of Farm Households: Relevance and Determinants in Germany (061)

M.A. Malek and K. Usami Effects of Non-farm Employments on Poverty among Small Households in Developed Villages of Bangladesh: A Case of Comilla Sadar Upazila (047)

S. Kpenavoun Chogou, P. Lebailly, A. Adégbidi, and E. Gandonou The Impact of Public Information System on Farmers Food Marketing Decisions: Case of Benin (073)

Session 5.2 Poverty alleviation and farmers cooperation

**Chair:** Celine Bignebat

G. Carletto, T. Kilic and A. Kirk Non-Traditional Export Crops in Guatemala: Short-Term Tool or Long-Term Strategy for Poverty Alleviation? (124)


Z. Huang, Q. Liang and G.W.J. Hendrikse Collective Action of Small Farmers: A Case Study of Ruoheng Farmer Watermelon Cooperative in China (067)
Session 5.3: Farm typology, strategy and structural adjustment

Chair: Sara Savastano

F. Adinolfi, F. Capitanio and G. Malorgio   Small Farms in Italy Between Decline and Innovative Formula: An Entrepreneurial Model Analysis (114)
T. Sudaryanto, S.H. Susilowati and Sumaryanto   Increasing Number of Small Farm in Indonesia: Causes and Consequences (036)
M. Jouili   Tunisian Agriculture: Are Small Farms Doomed to Disappear? (051)

17:00-17:15 Closing session

Peter Hazell
Sophia Davidova