

CURRENT ISSUES IN CANADIAN AGRI-FOOD POLICY

Eighth Annual Canadian Agri-Food Policy Conference

JANUARY 24-26, 2018 • CHATEAU LAURIER • OTTAWA

Preliminary Conference Agenda

Wednesday, January 24

6-8 pm **Meet & Greet Reception** Includes conference packet pick-up

Thursday, January 25

7:30 am CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION

8:30 am **Welcome Comments**
Alan Ker, CAES Past-President

8:45 am **Keynote Session I: International Implications of the US Farm Bill**

Barry Goodwin, William Neal Reynolds Distinguished Professor in the Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Graduate Alumni Distinguished Professor in the Department of Economics at North Carolina State University

The US Farm Bill has and will continue to have significant implications for Canadian agriculture and food consumers. Professor Goodwin has been deeply involved in the 2018 farm bill debate and will share his thoughts on current developments.

10:00 am NETWORKING BREAK

10:30 am **Session I: The Future of Supply Management**

This session will be a munk-style debate on supply management in Canadian agriculture. Moderator by Brady Deaton, University of Guelph. Debaters include Maurice Doyon and Bruno Larue of Laval University.

12:00 pm LUNCH

1:30 pm **Session 2: The NAFTA Renegotiation**

NAFTA has been fundamental to Canadian agriculture. Panelists will present and discuss issues related to the current renegotiations.

3:00 pm NETWORKING BREAK

3:30 pm **Session 3: Changing Climate, Agriculture and Food Security**

This session will present issues related to changing climate for Canadian agriculture and food security.

6-8 pm **Wine & Cheese and Annual Policy Poster Contest**

Friday, January 26

7:30 am CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION

8:30 am **Keynote Session 2: Risk Management in an Era of Big Data and Changing Climate**

Keith Coble, Giles Distinguished Professor and Head of the Agricultural Economics Department at Mississippi State University

Risk management is the dominant domestic agricultural support policy for producers in Canada, the U.S. and most developed countries. Big data and changing climate have significant implications for future risk management policies.

9:45 am **Top Three Poster Contest Presentations**

10:00 am NETWORKING BREAK

10:30 am **Session 4: Canada's BRM Review**

Currently the BRM suite of programs are undergoing review. This session will speak to some of the current problems and potential fixes for BRM in Canada.

12:00 pm **Contest Winners**
Alan Ker, CAES President

12:15 pm **Closing Comments**
Alan Ker, CAES President

Agenda subject to change without notice.

