

## FOOD SECURITY AND TRADE

29 October 2013, Hotel Fort Canning, Singapore

### AGENDA

**9:00 – 9:10**      **Registration**

**9:10 – 9:30**      **Conference Opening**

**9:30 – 11:00**      **Session I: Conceptual Framework: Food Security as Self-Sufficiency vs. Collective Food Security**

*This session will provide an opportunity to explore the concept of food security and disentangle it from concepts such as food sovereignty and self-sufficiency. It will present a picture of current food production levels and global supply chains, and also explore the relationship between food security and trade.*

**Chair:** SEE Chak Mun

**Speakers presenting papers:**

Michael <u>EWING-CHOW</u>	Patrick <u>LOW</u>	Evan <u>ROGERSON</u>
<i>Discuss the relationship between trade law and food security</i>	<i>Global Value Chains in the food sector</i>	<i>Global Food Supply; Supply-Demand and the Role of the multilateral trading system</i>

**11:00 - 12:30**      **Session II: Tackling the Issue: Market Shocks, Price Volatility and Food Security Outcomes**

*The session will focus on food security challenges associated with economic access, including food price volatility and market shocks. The session will explore the economic and legal frameworks that are relevant for addressing the food security consequences of price volatility. Speakers will examine the interaction between price behaviour and private and public decision-making.*

**Chair:** Michael EWING-CHOW

**Speakers presenting papers:**

Peter <u>TIMMER</u>	Ramon <u>CLARETE</u>	James <u>McVITTY</u>
<i>Managing food price instability in Asia</i>	<i>Information and market transparency and their impact on price</i>	<i>A private sector view on managing price fluctuations</i>

**12:30 – 14:00**      **Lunch**

**14:00 – 15:30 Session III: Upcoming Challenges: Climate Change and Water Shortages**

*The session will focus on natural resource factors affecting food security, including climate change and interaction with other resource challenges (e.g., water scarcity; energy policy); and explore the role of international law. It will also explore the concepts of global commons and national boundaries in the search for resource security, with a specific focus on South East Asia.*

**Chair:** Peter **TIMMER**

**Speakers presenting papers:**

Melanie <b><u>VILARASAU SLADE</u></b>	Lee Ann <b><u>JACKSON</u></b>	John 'Jackson' <b><u>EWING</u></b>
<i>The role of international law in tackling the resource challenge</i>	<i>Food security policies as part of the wider resource debate</i>	<i>Overview of current food security status and future challenges in South East Asia</i>

**15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break**

**15:45-17:15 Session IV: Legal Framework: Is the Current Trade Framework Adequate?**

*The session will focus on the role of trade agreements in shaping food security policies. Building on the findings of previous panels, the panel will discuss the impact of the current trade framework; identify the main issues it faces; and assess whether it is a help or a hindrance to effective food security policies (national / regional / international).*

**Chair:** Patrick **LOW**

**Speakers presenting papers:**

Clem <b><u>BOONEKAMP</u></b>	Evan <b><u>ROGERSON</u></b>	Roehlano <b><u>BRIONES</u></b>
<i>What is missing from the current international trade framework?</i>	<i>What are the main issues faced by the international trade system?</i>	<i>Food security initiatives in Asia and the impact of WTO regulation</i>