



Ladies and Gentlemen,

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The last three months have seen important changes at IAMO, the most important being that Dr. Gertrud Buchenrieder has become the new Head of the Department of *External Environment for Agriculture and Policy Analysis*. Thus, the last appointment of IAMO's Board of Directors has been successfully carried out. For this reason, we are especially delighted to send 2006's first edition of the Newsletter of the Institute of Agricultural Development in Central and Eastern Europe (IAMO). The newsletter will provide you with updates on news, events, publications, and other topics related to the scientific work of the Institute.

Sincerely,
Prof. Dr. Alfons Balmann
(Geschäftsführender Direktor)

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Prof. Buchenrieder becomes new Head of the "Agricultural Policy" Department

On January 15 th , 2006, Gertrud Buchenrieder was appointed as head of the Department of *External Environment for Agriculture and Policy Analysis*. In conjunction with this appointment, she was also offered the chair of *Agricultural Policy and Institutions* at the Martin-Luther University Halle-Wittenberg. Dr. Buchenrieder studied Agriculture at the University of Hohenheim and received her Master of Science in Agricultural Economics at the Ohio State University, USA. In 1994, she finished her PhD thesis, and afterwards she worked on financial markets institutions in Central and Eastern European Countries until she received her habilitation (postdoctoral lecture qualification) in 2002. While working as assistant professor at the "Institute of Agricultural Economics and Social Sciences in the Tropics and Subtropics", she also taught at universities in Vietnam, Romania and Kazakhstan. Furthermore, she worked as a consultant for the World Bank and the German Association for Technical Cooperation (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit, GTZ). Dr. Buchenrieder's research interests are in the field of rural credit markets, poverty, and rural development in transition economies and developing countries. She has published in *Oxford Development Studies*, the *European Review of Agricultural Economics* and in *Savings and*

Development.

After Prof. Dr. Klaus Froberg accepted a position at the "Center for Development Research" at the University of Bonn in October 2002, Dr. Peter Weingarten was in charge of the department. The Institute appreciates his commitment to the management of the department, as well as his contribution as a member of IAMO's Board of Directors.

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IAMO Forum 2006: Submission of posters until March 31, 2006

The deadline for submitting posters for the IAMO-Forum 2006 "Agriculture in the Face of Changing Markets, Institutions and Policies: Challenges and Strategies" is March 31, 2006. If you would like to contribute a poster to the conference, you are invited to send a detailed abstract in English (no longer than two pages) to forum@iamo.de. Details concerning the IAMO-Forum 2006 can be found on the conference [website](#).

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Contributions to the 4 th IAMO workshop for Ph.D. students and Post-Docs

From September 4 – 7, IAMO will conduct the 4 th workshop for Ph.D. students and Post-Docs on agricultural development in Central and Eastern Europe. The workshop will be in English for the first time. Those interested in attending are invited to submit an English abstract (max. 300 words) via E-mail to Dr. Raushan Bokusheva before June 5. A detailed "Call for Papers" will be available on the IAMO homepage at the end of February.

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IAMO has changed its name to "Leibniz-Institute of Agricultural Development in Central and Eastern Europe"

IAMO is part of the Leibniz-Association, a scientific organisation comprised of 84 non-university research institutes and service facilities. The growing public recognition and presence of the Leibniz Association motivated IAMO's Board of Directors to propose to the Board of Trustees that IAMO should change its name to "Leibniz-Institute of Agricultural Development in Central and Eastern Europe." On its 10/13/2006 meeting, the Institute's Board of Trustees agreed to the new name. The Federal State of Saxony-Anhalt consented as well. Thus, the institute's new name has been officially declared. The abbreviation IAMO has not changed, but the supplement "Leibniz" will become part of the logo.



Symposium: "Outlook for the Eastern German granivore economy" (26.01.2006)

More than 100 participants from economics, politics and science discussed prospects for the East-German granivore economy at IAMO in January. The occasion for this event was the controversial licensing procedures for pig-fattening facilities with space for more than 30,000 animals in Saxony-Anhalt. The introductory speech, presented by State Secretary Dr. Hermann Onko Aeikens from the Ministry for Agriculture and Environment of Saxony-Anhalt, was followed by lectures from Prof. Dr. Hans Wilhelm Windhorst (Institute for Structural Research and Planning in Agricultural Intensive Production Regions (ISPA) University of Vechta), Prof. Dr. Eberhard von Borell (Martin-Luther-University of Halle-Wittenberg) and Prof. Dr. Alfons Balmann (IAMO). The panel discussion of the issue sparked lively discussion between representatives from agriculture, animal and environmental protection groups, investors in pig fattening production and the meat processing industry. Lectures from this event can be downloaded from IAMO's [homepage](#).

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IAMO-Symposium at the East-West Agricultural Forum (01/13 /2006)

At this year's German Green Week, renowned experts discussed the topic " Food retailing: opportunities and challenges for the agri-food chain ". IAMO organized the symposium as part of Green Week's well-known "East -West Agricultural Forum". All contributions, as well as the programme, can be downloaded from our [homepage](#).

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Discussion group on Turkey at the East-West Agricultural Forum (01/13/06)

The FAO's European Regional Office, GFA Consulting Group GmbH and IAMO organised a second event at the 13 th East-West Agricultural Forum at the German Green Week. Well-known experts and high-level political representatives took part in the discussion group on the subject "Turkey – A Partner in the Agricultural and Food Sector – Prospects and Challenges for Turkey and the European Union". The Turkish side was represented by Dr. Ramasan Cadak, Sub-secretary in the Turkish Agricultural Ministry, and General Director Dr. Cevdet Akdiniz. Further participants were Dr. Gerd Müller, Parliamentary State Secretary of the German Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection, Dr. Antonis Constantinou as representative of Directorate General Agriculture and Rural Development of the EU Commission, Dr. Harald Grethe of the Humboldt-University, Berlin and Dr. Robert Bambauer, who works for the District Office Cham and is the former manager of the veterinary EU-Turkey-Twinning-Project.

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IAMO Workshop on Crop Insurance in Kazakhstan (10-27-2005)

The workshop, which took place on October 27 th , 2005, in the Ministry of Agriculture in Astana, provided a forum for discussing results of a research project funded by the Volkswagen Foundation. Workshop participants included political decision-makers, representatives of the World Bank, the Kazakh Farmers' Union, regional administrators, insurance companies, researchers, farmers and journalists.

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From Poland to China – current research results in the new IAMO 2006

The recently published *IAMO 2006* provides the public with a survey on the Institute's research concerning central issues of agricultural development between the Oder and Yellow Rivers. As such, it reflects the new main topics, as well as the extended geographical focus of IAMO. Three contributions deal with development problems of rural areas in Poland, the Czech Republic and China. Two articles analyse issues related to the food industry and food markets, both in a Polish-Bulgarian comparison and in a broader Central and Eastern European perspective. The last article looks at Russia's economic development since 2000. *IAMO 2006* provides an overview about the Institute and its work in 2006. Currently, the German version of *IAMO 2006* is available on our [Homepage](#). A printed and electronic English version will be published soon. You can order printed copies in advance from:

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Recent Publications

[all IAMO publications](#)

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