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Memberships

IAMO is a foundation under public law. Since its establishment in 1994, the institute has been part of the Leibniz Association, a German community of independent research institutes. In addition, IAMO is a founding member of the Leibniz ScienceCampus EEGA.

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About IAMO

The Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO) analyses economic, social and political processes of change in the agricultural and food sector, as well as in rural areas. The geographic focus covers the enlarging EU, transition regions of Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe, as well as Central and Eastern Asia.

Thematic complexes

IAMO is an international institute that pursues basic and applied research in the field of agricultural economics. It analyses agricultural policy frameworks and opportunities for shaping policy, the agricultural and food sector markets, and the structural development of enterprises in rural areas. Farm and agricultural policy decisions as well as market processes also influence human-environment relations in rural areas.

The scientific work of the institute is organized in six thematic complexes:

- Designing appropriate regulatory frameworks and institutions
- Creating resilient agricultural systems
- Reduction of and adaptation to environmental risks
- Fostering sustainable rural livelihoods in the age of migration
- Securing the world's food supply and competitive supply chains
- Diffusion of innovations and knowledge

Scientific exchange

The institute is distributing its research outcomes to the international academic community as well as to decision-makers in politics and business, international organisations and the public. It acts as a forum of exchange, thereby promoting research networking at an international level, and dialogue between the academic world, politics and business. Considering the new and immense challenges ahead, science-based policy advice is becoming an increasingly important factor in the institute's work.

Besides international conferences, seminars and workshops, the annual IAMO Forum is an important platform of scientific exchange.



Promotion of young researchers

Among the institute's core tasks is also the qualification of academic scholars from Germany and abroad. A particular focus lies on the promotion of scientists from study regions. IAMO supports PhD and postdoctoral studies and hands out thesis topics for Master's or Bachelor's degrees. IAMO Graduate School provides PhD students with systematic support and training. Visiting stays at IAMO and research visits of IAMO doctoral candidates and postdocs at overseas research centres enhance profiling younger scientists.

IAMO's work is closely linked to the Institute of Agricultural and Nutritional Sciences and the Economics Department of Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, for instance by teaching.

Further information on the IAMO Graduate School:

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