



Russia's invasion of Ukraine has caused a humanitarian crisis, while simultaneously disrupting global agricultural markets and energy systems. Developing countries, especially those highly-dependent on imported grains and fertilizers from Ukraine and Russia are expected to be mostly affected. The crisis is expected to have consequences for European food supply and further exacerbate an already challenging situation for European farmers.



Limiting the conflict's impacts on global agri-food systems requires effective national policies and global collaboration. Policy initiatives should trigger a short-term response through keeping trade open and supporting consumers (especially the vulnerable) and farmers. But it should also look at the medium- and longer- terms and keep on pursuing the transformation of food systems so that they become more resilient to future shocks, more inclusive and able to deliver food and nutrition security.



In this context, the scope of the workshop "**Local and global reactions to the food security crisis**" is to analyze the individual issues of the crisis, conduct a fruitful and constructive dialogue between scholars, experienced officials of international organizations and stakeholders, as well as to draw conclusions, which could potentially contribute to the development of effective policy response strategies.

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WORKSHOP PROGRAM

10.30-11.30 | Registration

11.30-12.00 | Workshop Opening

12.00-12.30 | **Dr. JOHN BAFFES**

Commodity Markets Outlook: Recent Developments, Outlook, and Risks

*Senior Agriculture Economist, Development Economics Prospects Group, Head at the Commodities Unit, **The World Bank***

12.30-13.00 | **Prof. ALAN MATTHEWS**

International and EU responses to impact of the Ukraine war on global food supplies

*Professor Emeritus of European Agricultural Policy in the Department of Economics, School of Social Sciences and Philosophy, **Trinity College Dublin, Ireland***

13.00-13.30 | **Ms ELLI TSIFOROU**

Challenges in relation to the resilience and sustainability of Greek agriculture in the light of the food security crisis

*Director General, Board Member, **Gaia Epicheirein***

13.30-14.00 | **Prof. KOSTAS KARANTININIS**

Organization and competitiveness of the food supply chain

*Dept of People & Society Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU), **OMFALOS.ORG***

14.00-15.00 | **Lunch Break**

15.00-16.30 | **Round Table**

Dr. Tassos Haniotis

Director, Strategy and Policy Analysis, DG Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission

Dr. Svetlana Edmeades

Lead Agriculture Economist, MENA, Agriculture and Food Global Practice, The World Bank

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Moderator: Prof. Demetris Psaltopoulos

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16.30-17.00 | **Workshop sum-up and take-home message**
Prof. Demetris Psaltopoulos

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