



AMIS 2014 progress and on-going work

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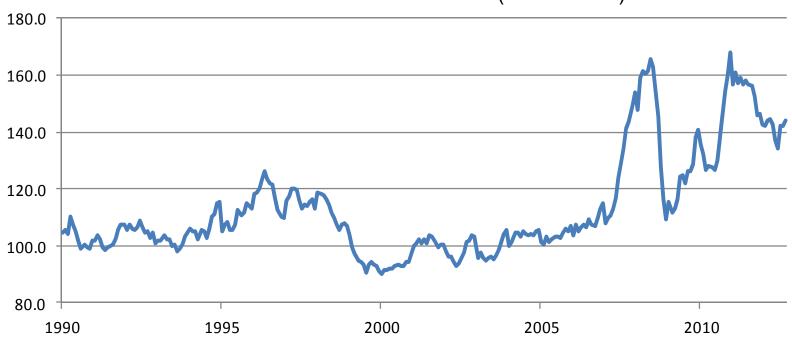
- A G20 initiative to increase food market transparency and reduce the likelihood of food price volatility
 - Crops: wheat, maize, rice, and soybeans
 - Focus: production, utilization, stocks, trade
- Overall structure & governance
 - AMIS Secretariat
 - Global Food Market Information Group
 - Rapid Response Forum
- Participants: G20 Members plus Spain and seven invited countries
- GEOGLAM launched at the same time





1. AMIS creation

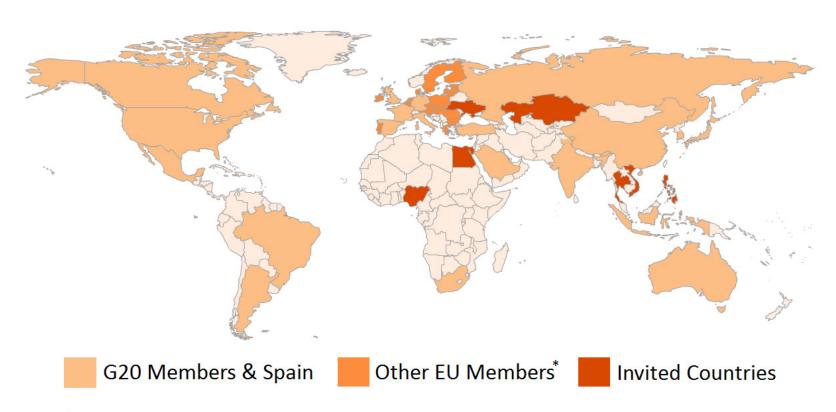
FAO Food Price Index (1990-2012)







1. AMIS Background: coverage

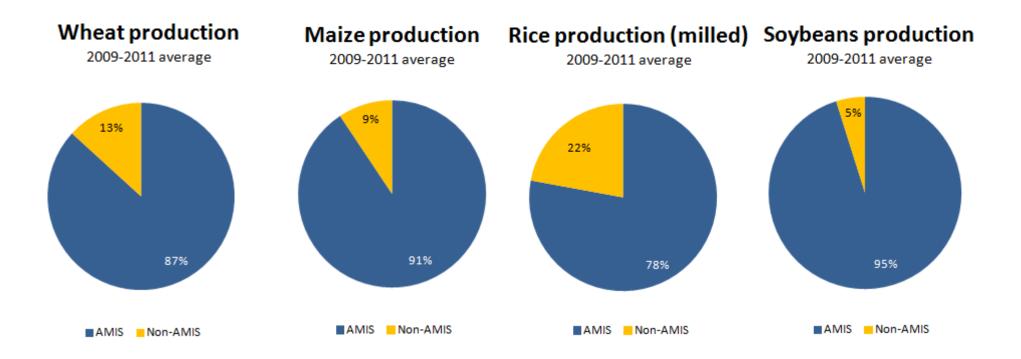


^{*} Not participating in AMIS as individual countries, but collectively represented by the European Union





1. AMIS: main market players







2. 2014 Highlights





AMIS Results Framework: 2012-2017

Output 1: Information collection

Food market and policy information is collected, evaluated and disseminated

Output 2: Research

Relevant methodologies and indicators are developed

Output 3: Capacity development

Capacity of national data producers is strengthened

Output 4: Dissemination

Policy makers are effectively informed of the market situation

Output 5: Policy dialogue

Dialogue is strengthened among key stakeholders in international food markets





2014: data collection & dissemination

- Collection of balances and forecasts: some progress, but several difficulties remain
- Successful exercise to investigate the monthly decomposition of balances
- New set of market indicators developed: profitability of maizebased ethanol production
- Online application of the policy indicators database improved and expanded
- Regular production of the AMIS Market Monitor





2014: policy dialogue

- 3rd meeting of the Rapid Response Forum (Australia, March)
- 5th and 6th meetings of the Global Food Market Information Group (Mexico, May and Rome, Oct)
- Bi-lateral discussions with selected countries





2014: research

- Estimating feed utilization
 - Global scoping report finalized and published
 - Feed model validated and improved
 - Workshops organized in Indonesia, Thailand and Vietnam
- Price transmission from global benchmarks
 - Paper finalized and published
 - Possible extension to a more quantitative analysis
- Stocks estimation methodologies
 - Experts meeting organized on 21 November 2014 in London





2014: stat capacity development

Statistical capacity building activities are mostly funded by two projects from BMGF (7mUSD) and the Government of Japan (1.5mUSD), both implemented by FAO:

Japan:

- Focus: stocks and production for rice only
- Support to the Philippines and Thailand

BMGF

- Focus : stocks, market prices and production forecasts for the 4 AMIS crops
- Support to Bangladesh, India and Nigeria
- In addition, global methodological development (statistics and IT) which are made available as public goods (link with GS)





3. Relevant on-going work in statistical capacity development





3. Country activities

- Implementation on-going in Nigeria, Philippines and Thailand
- Final endorsement in Bangladesh
- Design in India

	Market prices	Grain crop stocks	Production (forecasts)	Others: data access, data quality, etc.
Bangladesh		YES	YES	
India	YES	YES		
Nigeria	YES		YES	YES
Philippines		YES	YES	
Thailand		YES	YES	YES





3. Methodological developments

Stocks

- Literature review
- Assess existing stocks surveys (incl. microdata)
- Propose concepts, definitions and classifications
- Explore further the use of administrative sources and business surveys
- Develop survey guidelines:
 - Supply chain analysis
 - Specific survey / survey modules
- Make the case for direct measurement: provide evidence

Yield forecasting

- Literature review
- Case studies
- Forward looking discussion paper

Prices / MIS

- Literature review
- Generic guidelines on MIS + specific issues (sampling markets, harmonization)





Thank you

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Governance structure

