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Will the ‘BRICs Decade’ continue? – Prospects for trade and growth
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The Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Central and Eastern Europe (IAMO) Halle (Saale), the Kiel Institute for the World Economy (IfW) and the GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies in Hamburg announce the upcoming IAMO Forum 2011. The conference will focus on growth and trade in the world’s leading emerging economies Brazil, Russia, India, and China (BRICs) and the repercussions on the world economy. Among the keynote speakers at the conference will be Scott Rozelle (Stanford University), Francisco Ferreira (World Bank), Andrei Yakovlev (Higher School of Economics, Moscow), Arvind Panagariya (Columbia University, New York) and Klaus-Dieter Schumacher (Nordzucker AG).

The ongoing globalization process makes questions of trade and growth vitally important for all actors in the world economy. The IAMO Forum 2011 aims to take stock of current research on the consequences of the rise of new economic powers for the world economy. Besides macroeconomic questions the Forum 2011 will focus on agriculture, global food security, and the stabilisation of highly erratic international commodity markets.

While global growth increasingly depends on the BRICs performance it is unclear how successful the BRICs will be in accelerating technological change and stabilizing the world economy. In addition, the ongoing race for primary products and food resources, the increasing volatility of food and primary commodity markets as well as the endangering of our natural resources call for intensified research on the interactions between growth and trade in emerging economies.

Topics will be:
1. Growth prospects of the BRICs
2. The BRICs and the current world economic crisis
3. International trade and the BRICs
4. Economic change and the architecture of political power: the case of the BRICs
5. Agricultural potential of the BRICs
6. Global food security and the BRICs
7. Agricultural market policy of the BRICs
8. Global agricultural market volatility and the BRICs

Participants who would like to present papers should submit a full paper in English by **28 February 2011**. In order to be considered papers must not exceed 7,000 words and follow the formatting guidelines.

Presenting authors may qualify for a travel or accommodation grant. You can apply for funding via the registration/paper submission form on the conference website. Notification of acceptance for funding will be sent along with the notification of acceptance for the programme. Detailed information is available at http://forum2011.iamo.de/

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