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2001 Annual Report of the Editor-in-Chief
# AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

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1. Introduction

I am pleased to present the 2001 Annual Report of the Editor-in-Chief of Agricultural Economics*. This report contains information on the operation of the journal since I assumed the responsibilities of Editor-in-Chief on January 1, 2001, as well as information on the transition phase that began in 2000.

As outlined below:

- The transition from Iowa to Göttingen has proceeded smoothly. Thanks to Stan Johnson and his team for making this possible and for continuing to help as the need periodically arises.
- A new Editorial Team is in place and the review process is becoming increasingly streamlined.
- Manuscripts are coming in at a healthy pace.
- The Berlin Proceedings Issue will appear towards the end of 2001. Thanks to David Colman for his work as the Guest Editor of this issue.
- 2001 has seen the publication of our 25th Anniversary Issue.
- As part of a promotion scheme to raise awareness of Agricultural Economics, 300 selected members of our profession are receiving complementary subscriptions.
- A list of recipients of gift subscriptions has been forwarded to our publisher, and these subscriptions are being shipped.
- A new contract has been signed with our publisher Elsevier and a new schedule of costs per subscription has been negotiated.
- Elsevier has made an interesting proposal regarding the electronic publication of Agricultural Economics and providing all members of the IAAE with on-line access.
- The new financial arrangements between the Editorial Office and the IAAE provide a sustainable basis for the production of the journal.
- Agricultural Economics’ ranking continues to improve, although the ranking reported for 1999 last year was, due to an error, somewhat higher than it should have been. In 2000 we ranked 4th of 8 journals.

It has been a pleasure serving Agricultural Economics and the IAAE during this first year of my tenure. The work is challenging and interesting, the support I have received is most encouraging, and I look forward to the years to come.

Stephan von Cramon-Taubadel

Editor-in-Chief

*A preliminary version of this report was presented to the Executive Committee of the IAAE at its meeting in Chicago on August 5th, 2001.
2. Transferring the Editorial Office from Iowa to Göttingen

The transfer of the Editorial Office from Iowa to Göttingen proceeded smoothly, beginning in March 2000 when I visited Iowa. As of September 1, 2000, Iowa began forwarding all submitted manuscripts to the new editorial office in Göttingen. It was agreed that Iowa would continue and complete processing all manuscripts submitted prior to this date. Editorial staff (see below) was in place in Göttingen as of November 2000. All necessary journal files (back issues of *Agricultural Economics*, annual reports, correspondence with Elsevier, and closed manuscript files from the year 1999 to date) were shipped from Iowa to Göttingen by March 2001. It was decided that all closed manuscript files from prior to 1999 would be destroyed rather than shipped to Göttingen. As of July 1, 2001, only five remaining manuscripts were still being processed by Stan Johnson in Iowa. Authors are now submitting manuscripts (almost) exclusively to the new Editorial Office in Göttingen. Hence, the transfer is effectively complete. I am very grateful to Stan Johnson, Sorrel Brown and Anjanette Fisher for their co-operation and efforts to make this transfer as smooth as possible and for continuing to provide help and suggestions as the need arises.

3. The Editorial Team

The members of the new Editorial Team are listed in Appendix 1. Additional information is provided in the following.

3.1 Editorial Staff in Göttingen

The IAAE began to provide funding for the Editorial Office as of November 2000, making it possible for me to hire staff as of this date. This staff consists of two Editorial Assistants:

- Sylvia Schmidt, (20 hours/week). Sylvia is responsible for managing all submissions, manuscript files, correspondence and the general organisation of the Editorial Office.
- Irene Valdez-Soell, (10 hours/week). Irene, a native English speaker, has managed two main tasks to date – compiling the list of 300 recipients of complimentary subscriptions (see point 8 below), and editing / co-ordinating the papers for the special Berlin Proceedings Issue (see point 6 below).

All of us are new to the tasks involved in running an Editorial Office, but both Sylvia and Irene have proven flexible and willing to learn. The structure with two part-time assistants makes it possible to accommodate vacations, illness etc. with greater ease, but increases the internal costs of communication and co-ordination. I am confident that with time the former will more than compensate for the latter.

3.2 Associate Editors and the Editorial Advisory Board

In keeping with standard procedure, two of four Associate Editors and roughly one-half of the members of the Editorial Advisory Board were ‘rotated off’ based primarily on years of service. New members were selected with a view to maintaining both geographic representation and coverage of major topic
areas. All remaining members were contacted in advance to ensure that they would be willing and able to continue for an additional three year term. Those who were ‘rotated off’ were thanked for their service. The new Associate Editors and Editorial Advisory Board have been very supportive and have provided vital assistance in the first months of my tenure.

3.3 Book Review Editor

Following a suggestion made by several colleagues, I asked George Norton if he would consider replacing Chris Delgado as Book Review Editor. I was very pleased when George agreed to take on this job. George has so far received 27 books to review and has selected 17 of these for review. He has supplied us with 6 completed reviews to date and expects to be able to provide roughly 20 per year which would amount to 3-4 book reviews per issue. At this point, once again thanks to Chris Delgado for his great contribution to our journal over the years.

3.4 ‘Suggesting Reading’ Editor

The *Journal of Economic Perspectives* has a regular feature entitled ‘Suggested Reading’ compiled by Bernard Saffran that highlights a few key publications, conferences and, especially, material that is available on the Internet. I believe that many readers would appreciate a similar feature in *Agricultural Economics*. I have not yet succeeded in identifying the right ‘personality’ for this task; someone who reads/surfs a great deal, has broad interests and an extensive network. Suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

4. Submitted Manuscripts / Review Process

As of June 30, 2001, 109 manuscripts had been submitted to the Editorial Office in Göttingen, of which 5 had been submitted first to Iowa and then forwarded to Göttingen as per our agreement (cut-off date September 1, 2000). Of these 109 submissions, 39 arrived in 2000, and 70 in 2001. As of the end of July 2001, the total number of submissions in 2001 had climbed by 11 to 81. The number of submissions therefore appears to be in line with previous years. Appendix 2 contains information on the disposition of these manuscripts and Appendix 3 breaks down the submitted manuscripts by country of origin.

After some initial difficulties, the review process is under control. Appendix 4 provides an overview of the length of the various stages in the review process. These statistics are misleading to the extent that the underlying distributions are highly skewed. Average review lengths can be shortened either by reducing somewhat the length of each individual review, or by reducing drastically the length of those few review processes that ‘get out of hand’. The latter is probably most important from the perspective of improving our journal’s reputation with authors. In this regard, however, I have been somewhat surprised in the first months of my tenure to discover that a good 20% of the colleagues asked to provide reviews (including some ‘big’ names) are highly unreliable, promising and either not delivering at all, or delivering very late and often rather superficial reviews. I am learning to ‘keep after’ reviewers with greater persistence and to drop reviewers more quickly if they
show signs of not delivering. Appendix 5 is a list of the reviewers who have been used by the Editorial Office since it moved to Göttingen.

As outlined in the 2000 Annual Report, the previous Editorial Office in Iowa had implemented an on-line manuscript status facility for authors on the IAAE web site. As our publisher, Elsevier, had promised to supply new software (‘Paperpath’) that is specially designed for Editorial Offices (managing submissions and the review process) and that would mesh with Elsevier’s own manuscript tracking facility for authors, we decided not to go to the effort of adopting the special software developed in Iowa. Unfortunately, Elsevier has not been able to deliver Paperpath to date. We will make every effort to obtain this software and make it possible for authors to track their manuscripts. In the interim, authors are contacting us primarily by e-mail with questions regarding the status of their manuscripts.

5. 25th Anniversary Issue

The first issue of Volume 25 of the journal (mid-2001) was the 25th Anniversary Issue of *Agricultural Economics*. As this issue was finalised only several months after I became Editor-in-Chief, it was no longer possible to solicit a special set of articles. Moreover, we already have a considerable backlog of papers with the publisher that needs to be cleared (see point 7 below). Elsevier suggested a special cover for the 25th Anniversary Issue as well as including a set of biographies of the past and present Editors-in-Chief of the journal. With the assistance of wives, colleagues, secretaries and archives, we compiled a set of biographies and photographs.


22 papers were selected for the Berlin Proceedings Issue according to the following process:

- Screening by the Contributed Papers Selection Committee headed by David Colman. 419 papers were submitted and sent for double blind review. 123 of the submitted papers were selected for presentation at the IAAE Conference in Berlin, and 42 of these were selected by six reviewers at a special two-day meeting as worthy of consideration as ‘best contributed paper’.

- The 42 papers considered for the ‘best contributed paper’ competition were blind reviewed by a panel chaired by Jock Anderson, and three papers were selected for the final competition and plenary presentation at the conference. All three of these papers were automatically selected for publication in the Berlin Proceedings Issue of *Agricultural Economics*.

- All the remaining 39 papers, plus others highlighted as publishable by chairs of contributed paper sessions, were subjected to a blind review co-ordinated by David Colman together with the Editorial Board of *Agricultural Economics*. Written comments were also collected from the discussants of the contributed paper sessions at the IAAE Conference in Berlin.

- Following the 24th International Conference in Berlin, David Colman, George Peters, Stanley Johnson and Stephan von Cramon-Taubadel selected a final set of 22 papers for publication in the Berlin Proceeding Issue of *Agricultural Economics*. 
Economics. A further 19 papers were selected for publication in the Conference Blue Book, edited by George Peters.

The 22 papers for the Berlin Proceedings Issue have been submitted to Elsevier together with an introduction by the Guest Editor. They will appear in late 2001 as a combined Issue 25/2-3. As in the past, therefore, the Proceedings Issue will appear in the year following the triennial conference.

7. Coming Issues
Elsevier has a backlog of 27 articles on hand at the moment (not including the papers destined for the Berlin Proceedings Issue). These articles (perhaps together with some of the 5 that are still under review in Iowa) would suffice to fill between 3 and 4 issues, taking us up to 26/3 or 27/1 in 2002. Hence, over one-half of my term as Editor-in-Chief will have expired before any articles submitted during my tenure could appear. For this reason I have been hesitant to explore possible special issues. The Editorial Office has been approached by Jerry Nelson regarding the possibility of a special issue on Spatial Analysis in agricultural economics. Several Associate Editors agree that this would be an appropriate topic for a special issue of our journal.

Elsevier is aware of the backlog problem. Possible solutions that are being considered are to add 1-2 papers per issue for a number of issues, or to publish an extra issue in the near future.

8. Promotion / Complimentary Subscriptions
To raise the awareness of Agricultural Economics as a leading forum for research in our field, the Executive of the IAAE decided to provide 300 leading members of our profession world-wide with a complementary subscription to our journal in 2001. Elsevier kindly agreed to donate 100 of these 300 subscriptions. Drawing on suggestions from the IAAE Country Representatives and the Editorial Team (Associate Editors and members of the Advisory Board) a list of 300 leading colleagues was compiled. This list was checked against the list of actual subscribers and substitutions made as appropriate. A copy of this list is available on request from the Editorial Office. Each of the 300 colleagues received a letter in which he (she) was informed of the selection and the purpose of this promotion. All recipients were asked to confirm receipt as a means of checking mailing addresses. This process took longer than anticipated, and shipment was also delayed by several logistic problems, but Elsevier informed us in June that the complementary issues have been shipped. Together with the last complementary issue (the Berlin Proceedings Issue 25/2-3) all 300 recipients will receive a brief questionnaire asking for impressions, comments and suggestions.

9. Gift Subscriptions
A list of 68 recipients of gift subscriptions in 2001 has been compiled based on the list ‘inherited’ from the previous Editorial Office and suggestions made by
Country Representatives and members of the IAAE Executive. This list is included in Appendix 6. The list has been forwarded to Elsevier and shipment is underway.

No gift subscriptions were shipped in 2000. Altogether, 100 gift subscriptions could be distributed each year. Suggestions for additions/changes to the current list are welcome, but please make these by December 1, 2001 at the latest so that the list can be finalised and forwarded to Elsevier earlier than was possible in 2001. Several of the recipients of complementary subscriptions (see point 8 above) in 2001 could be moved to the gift subscription list in the future.


Appendix 7 provides an overview of revenue and expenditure since the Editorial Office moved to Göttingen. I anticipate that expenses will stay in line with revenues through the rest of 2001, and am confident that our current arrangements with the IAAE and Elsevier for financing the Editorial Office provide a sustainable basis for journal operations in 2002 and 2003. The only major unforeseeable variable in these calculations is the US$/DM exchange rate, which at the moment if favourable from the point of view of the Editorial Office in Göttingen, as our core funding is provided in US$.

11. Relations with our Publisher / Subscriptions

11.1 Current Arrangement with Elsevier

A new contract has been signed with Elsevier for the 2001-2003 period. This will take us through to Volume 29. The conditions of this contract are essentially identical to those in the previous 1998-2000 contract (number of volumes, issues and pages per year, honorarium and contribution to the Editorial Office). The following agreement on the costs of journal subscriptions for IAAE members were reached with Elsevier in early 2001:

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<th>Number of subscriptions</th>
<th>Cost per subscription (to be paid by the IAAE)</th>
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<td>500-1000</td>
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Discussions with the Editors of other journals in our field suggest that we might expect to receive more revenue from our publisher than is currently the case; this will be discussed with Elsevier in the coming months.

11.2 Electronic Subscription Offer

In April 2001, Elsevier made an electronic subscription proposal according to which the IAAE could subscribe to an electronic version of the journal for all members at a price of 25$ per year and member (based on 1400 members). In return, the IAAE would receive a set of passwords that would give each
member individual on-line access to a rolling 3-year archive of Agricultural Economics (current year plus two previous years). It would be possible to download, save and print out articles (they are in .pdf format), and traditional paper subscriptions would still be available, presumably for 45$ per subscription and year as in the past (Elsevier has not yet made a formal offer on this price). While Elsevier does promote its own electronic publishing activities on its journal web sites, as a general rule there is no commercial advertising on these sites, so we would not have to worry about Agricultural Economics being associated with advertisement over which we have no control.

While some IAAE members may not be in a position to access an electronic subscription (i.e. some may lack Internet access), for many members in developing countries electronic subscription may be more timely and dependable than the mail.

12. Ranking

In the 2000 Annual Report it was announced that Agricultural Economics was ranked 5th out of 12 journals in our field in 1999, with an impact factor of 0.456. Unfortunately this was based on an error. In fact, Agricultural Economics was ranked 9th out of 12 in 1999, with an impact factor of 0.337. Nevertheless, this still represented an improvement over 1998, when we were ranked 11th out of 13. Furthermore, as shown below, our ranking continued to improve to 4th of 8 in 2000.

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<td>9th of 12</td>
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It is important not to over-interpret these rankings, however. The impact factor measures the relative size of the so-called citation curve in years 2 and 3. For example, the 2000 impact factor measures the citations in 2000 of articles published in 1998 and 1999, divided by the total number of articles published in 1998 and 1999. Hence, it measures the average number of citations per published article in the two years that follow the publication year. In fast-moving sciences (i.e. molecular biology), top journals have impact factors in excess of 30. The average impact factor in the social sciences is roughly 0.65. In agricultural economics, some 7-8 journals have impact factors between 0.65 and 0.40, and the rankings can fluctuate considerably from year to year. For example, the AJAE was 3rd in 1999 with an impact factor of 0.516, but 1st in 2000 with an impact factor of 0.674.
APPENDIX 1: 2001-2003 EDITORIAL TEAM

Editor-in-Chief
S. von Cramon-Taubadel, GERMANY

Editorial Assistants
S. Schmidt
I. Valdez-Soell

Book Review Editor
G. Norton, USA

Associate Editors
W.K. Asenso-Okyere, GHANA
C.B. Barrett, USA
J. Huang, CHINA
J. Toth, Budapest, HUNGARY

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Africa (2)
W.L. Nieuwoudt, SOUTH AFRICA
D. Philip, NIGERIA

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A.M. Balisacan, PHILIPPINES
E. Feinerman, ISRAEL
S.-H. Hsu, TAIWAN
Y. Kuroda, JAPAN
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M. Honma, JAPAN

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G. Donoso, CHILE
M.G. Gallacher, ARGENTINA

Europe (9)
A. Abdulai, SWITZERLAND
D.R. Colman, UK
A. Dubgaard, DENMARK
J.M. Gil, SPAIN
W. Guba, POLAND
H. Guyomard, FRANCE
E.-A. Nuppenau, GERMANY
L. Salvatici, ITALY
A. Sarris, GREECE
J. Swinnen, BELGIUM

North America (8)
A. Adesina, USA
M.D. Bale, USA
R. Barichello, CANADA
J.C. Beghin, USA
A. de Janvry, USA
H. Jensen, USA
H. Kinnucan, USA
R.L. Meyer, USA

Oceania (1)
T. Coelli, AUSTRALIA
## APPENDIX 2: SUBMISSIONS AND MANUSCRIPT DISPOSITION (AS OF JUNE 30, 2001)

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¹ Information provided in the 2000 annual report. The status of some manuscripts will have changed in the interim.

² Authors have not responded to an invitation to resubmit a revised version so the file has been closed.

³ Manuscript is either with referees or the Editor-in-Chief.
### APPENDIX 3: 2000-2001 MANUSCRIPTS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

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¹ Information provided in the 2000 Annual Report
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### APPENDIX 5: REFEREES BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 2000 AND JUNE 2001

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1. Scientific Library of Agricultural University, ALBANIA*
2. University Agontinho Neto, ANGOLA
3. Bangladesh Agricultural University, BANGLADESH
4. Belarus Agricultural Library, BELARUS*
5. Agriculture Library, BENIN
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9. University of Bobo Diou, BURKINA FASO
10. Université du Burundi, BURUNDI
11. University of Bangui, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC
12. Central Library, CHAD
13. Centre Ivoiré Recherche Economique et Sociale, CÔTE D’IVOIRE
14. Faculty of Agriculture, CROATIA*
15. Ministerio de la Agricultura, Dirección de Ciencia y Tecnica, CUBA
16. Coordinacion General de Investigacion, Universidad Central del Ecuador, ECUADOR
17. Faculty of Agricultural and Aquatic Science, ERITREA
18. Library, Estonian Agricultural University, ESTONIA*
19. Alemaya University of Agriculture, ETHIOPIA
20. Gambia College, GAMBIA
22. ISSER, University of Ghana, GHANA
23. Population and Social Science Library, Legon, GHANA
24. Institut Supérieur Agronomique, GUINEA
25. State University of Haiti, HAITI
26. National Agricultural Library and Documentation Centre, HUNGARY*
27. Kampus Institut Pertanian Bogor Darmaga, INDONESIA
28. Agricultural Research Education & Extension Organisation (AREEO), IRAN
29. Fundamental Library, Latvian University of Agriculture, LATVIA*
30. National University of Lesotho, LESOTHO
31. University of Liberia, LIBERIA
32. Lithuanian Agriculture Library, LITHUANIA*
33. University of Malawi, MALAWI
34. Université de Nouakchott, MAURITANIA
35. State Agricultural University, MONGOLIA
36. University Eduardo Mondlane Maputo, MOZAMBIQUE
37. Institute of Agriculture Pyinmana, MYANMAR
38. Tribhuvan University, NEPAL
39. University of Niamey, NIGER
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42. National Research Institute of PAPUA NEW GUINEA
43. University of Technology, PAPUA NEW GUINEA
44. Library of the University of Agricultural Sciences, ROMANIA*
45. Central Scientific Agricultural Library, RUSSIA*
46. Central Library, RWANDA
47. School of Agriculture, University of the South Pacific, SAMOA
48. Njala University College, SIERRA LEONE
49. Institute of Scientific and Technical Information of Agriculture, SLOVAK REPUBLIC*
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56. University of Khartoum, SUDAN
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58. University of Dar Es Salaam, TANZANIA
59. Sokoine University of Agriculture, TANZANIA
60. Makerere University, UGANDA
61. Republic Scientific Agricultural Library, UKRAINE*
62. Institute for Economic Research and Policy Consulting, UKRAINE
63. Agricultural University of Hanoi, VIET NAM
64. Dai Hoc Nông Lâm Duc, VIETNAM
65. Institute of Agricultural Economics, VIETNAM
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68. University of Zambia, ZAMBIA

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#### Revenue

**Received**

- From IAAE for November/December 2000: 9 179.93 DM
- From Elsevier for purchase of PC: 2 727.00 DM
- From IAAE for 2001: 52 706.43 DM

**Anticipated**

- From Elsevier for Volume 24: 7 500.00 DM
- From Elsevier for Volume 25: 7 500.00 DM

**Total revenue** 79 613.36 DM

#### Expenditure

**To date (31.07.01)**

- Personell: 34 414.58 DM
- Travel costs (visit to Elsevier in Amsterdam): 51.00 DM
- Postage, office supplies: 7 143.40 DM
- PC: 2 727.00 DM
- Answering machine: 49.00 DM

**Anticipated through December 2001**

- Personell (5/7th of expenditure to date): 24 581.84 DM
- Postage, office supplies (5/7th of expenditure to date): 5 102.43 DM
- Travel (to Elsevier in Ireland): 2 000.00 DM

**Total expenditure** 76 069.25 DM