

FINAL RESOLUTION
INTERNATIONAL OILSEED PRODUCERS DIALOGUE (IOPD) XV
July 1-3, 2012 London, United Kingdom

The undersigned participants of the International Oilseed Producer Dialogue (IOPD) from July 1-3, 2012, in London, United Kingdom, adopt the following declaration:

IOPD members will work together to develop and promote a sound industry business environment that will allow oilseed producers the opportunity for viable and profitable ongoing returns.

IOPD members support comprehensive trade liberalization and improved market access in both developed and developing countries. Both producers and consumers can benefit from a growing food and non-food market, resulting from progressing liberalization. IOPD members believe successful trade negotiations will maintain profitable income for producers of oilseeds and protein plants.

IOPD members recognize the need to supply the world with increasing quantities of protein and vegetable oil. Toward that end, we support increased research and investment in the agriculture sectors of developing and developed countries.

IOPD members appreciate the progress achieved in the development of new areas of use for oilseeds – including biofuels, vegetable oils, and protein products – and support a sustainable development of environmental friendly products. IOPD welcomes the contribution of these areas of use and market stabilization for sustainable development.

IOPD members support timely, transparent, and science-based review and approval systems for all sustainable technologies, including biotechnology, of all oilseeds, vegetable oils and products. To avoid trade disruptions, IOPD members encourage governments to implement CODEX approved assessments for the low level presence of biotechnology events in internationally traded commodities and products, and that reasonable commercial thresholds be established. IOPD members also recommend that problems with asynchronous approvals be corrected. We urge that when a biotech event has an established history of safe-use, governments should extend the registration for longer periods of time or indefinitely.

IOPD members endorse and support agricultural production systems, including biotechnology, that conserve and protect the environment while achieving the high levels of productivity necessary to meet increasing world wide demand, while maintaining producer profitability.

IOPD members are committed to sustainable agriculture production systems on suitable land for producing food, feed and non-food uses. We believe that environmental assessments should be based on reliable, science-based evidence. With regard to Indirect Land Use Change (ILUC) assumptions, there is the need for much improved, robust science and international consensus before ILUC impacts are reflected in any renewable energy regulations. Sustainable agriculture production systems will meet the needs of the present while improving the ability of future generations to meet their own needs by:

- Increasing productivity to meet all future needs while decreasing impacts on the environment.
- Improving access to safe food and feed and the production of fuel that improves air quality and reduces greenhouse gases.
- Improving the social and economic well being of agricultural producers and the global community.

IOPD members will actively engage with all the stakeholders in the supply chain, including influencers and consumers, to ensure sustainable development that is result and science-based.

American Soybean Association (ASA) – United States
Australian Oilseeds Federation (AOF) – Australia
APS Soybean, Oilseeds and Cereals Producers of Paraguay
Association (APS) - Paraguay
Brazilian Soybean Growers Assoc. (APROSOJA) - Brazil
Canadian Canola Growers Assoc. (CCGA) – Canada
Canadian Soybean Council (CSC) – Canada
European farmers and European cooperative organizations
(Copa-Cogeca) – European Union
Federation Francaise des Producteurs d’Oleagineux et de
Proteagineux (FOP) – France

AHDB-HGCA – United Kingdom
Malaysian Palm Oil Council (MPOC) – Malaysia
National Farmers Union (NFU) – United Kingdom
National Farmers Union Scotland (NFUS) – United Kingdom
Paraguayan Chamber of Traders and Exporters of Cereals
and Oilseeds (CAPECO) - Paraguay
Union zur Förderung von Oel- und Proteinpflanzen (UFOP)
– Germany
United Soybean Board (USB) – United States
United States Soybean Export Council (USSEC) – United
States