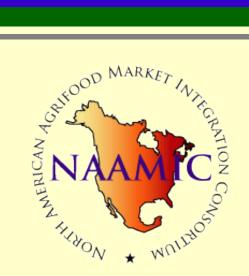
North American Agrifood Market Integratio



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Market integration is a term that is often used but seldom defined. It exists wh countries are on the same terms and conditions as within countries. It implies traded between distinct markets or countries on the same basis as they are w product of globalization, of technological change, freer trade, and of institution Organization (WTO) and trade agreements. Despite its pervasive nature, mai trade and outsourcing, is a controversial topic. Perhaps this is because it fost relationship among peoples and countries.

The objective of NAAMIC is to foster dialog among policy makers, agrifood in academics on agriculture and food-related market integration issues among I specific objectives include:

- To share information and to foster interaction among industry, academic stakeholders on issues relating to market integration.
- To foster research on market integration.
- To evaluate impacts and interactions of country policies, programs, and integration.
- To identify, define, and evaluate policies that could contribute to market

NAAMIC accomplishes its objectives mainly through the conduct of annual we potential for support of original scholarly thought and research on topics and i integration. Papers are commissioned in preparation for these workshops the discussion by industry, government and academic participants. The papers a designed to develop lessons form current and past experiences, while looking and additional alliances in consideration of contemporary and anticipated agr developments.

NAAMIC grew out of the <u>Policy Disputes Information Consortium</u>, which conducts workshops that identified and evaluated the conditions that have led to trade (and legal foundations of trade disputes, the policies that foster trade disputes

resolving them. The NAAMIC workshops are designed to move the discussio encompassing and proactive discussion of the concept of market integration, encouraging and impeding market integration, and the impacts of public and programs, and regulations on market integration.

These series of workshops are organized through the direction and leadershi committee of academic and government representatives. These events are p and continuous support from the governments of the NAFTA countries, from F in-kind contributions by the participating universities and from some of the participating uni

Annual Workshops

- 2004 North American Agrifood Market Integration: Current Situation and Pe
- 2005 Agrifood Regulatory and Policy Integration under Stress
- 2006 Achieving NAFTA Plus
- 2007 Contemporary Drivers of Integration
- 2008 <u>New Generation of NAFTA Standards</u>

The North American Agrifood Market Integration Consortium is a joint activity

- Agricultural and Food Policy Center -- Texas A&M University
- Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada