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IPC Elects Carlo Trojan as Next Chairperson; Names Carl Hausmann as Second Vice Chairperson

Mr. Carlo Trojan, former Secretary General of the European Commission and Ambassador of the European Union to the WTO, will assume the position of IPC Chairperson on October 1, 2009, having been unanimously elected by IPC members at their last plenary meeting held in May in Bogor, Indonesia. "We are enormously pleased that Carlo will lead IPC," expressed outgoing IPC Chairperson Piet Bukman. "His stature, background, and most importantly his conviction that global problems require internationally agreed solutions are essential in IPC's quest to promote a more open and equitable food system."

Carlo Trojan studied law at the University of Leyden, specializing in European and International Law. He started his professional career in the Ministry of Agriculture and Food in the Netherlands and went on to pursue a distinguished career at the European Commission beginning in 1973 as Deputy Chief of Staff of Commissioner Lardinois (Agriculture). In 1977 he was Agricultural Counselor at the Dutch Permanent Representation to the EU in Brussels. In 1981 Mr. Trojan became Chief of Staff for Frans Andriessen, Vice-President of the European Commission, dealing successively with Competition Policy and Agriculture. In 1987 he was appointed Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission and became Secretary General in 1997. His last posting was in Geneva (2001-2007) where he acted as Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the European Union to the WTO and other international organizations. In that capacity he was the EU negotiator in the WTO Doha Round trade negotiations.

Presently, Mr. Trojan is member of the Dutch Advisory Council for International Affairs and of the Dutch Energy Council. He is Professor of International Trade and European Studies at the Maastricht School for Management and associated with the Chair for International Trade and Regional Integration at the University of Barcelona. Mr. Trojan joined IPC in 2007.

Carl Hausmann, President and CEO of Bunge North America, was elected as a second Vice Chairperson. "Carl's international business experience and knowledge of the food and agricultural market is an invaluable asset to our group," stated Mr. Marcelo Regúnaga, IPC's other Vice Chairperson and former Argentine Minister of Agriculture. Mr. Trojan, Mr. Regúnaga, and Mr. Hausmann form IPC's new Executive Committee.

Carl Hausmann began as President and CEO of Bunge North America in January 2004. Mr. Hausmann joined Bunge as President and CEO of Bunge Europe following the acquisition of a majority stake in Cereol S.A. by Bunge in 2002. He formerly held chief executive officer positions with Cereol S.A. and Central Soya. He began his career in the agro-industrial industry in 1978 at Continental Grain, where he worked in South America, Europe, Africa, and the United States. Mr. Hausmann is on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Manufacturers and is a past president of Fediol, the European association of oilseed crushers. He received a B.S. in business from Boston College and an MBA from INSEAD.

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