



## - ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS -

# INSTITUT NATIONAL DE LA RECHERCHE AGRONOMIQUE **(INRA)** and INSTITUT D'ECONOMIE INDUSTRIELLE **(IDEI)**

Université des Sciences Sociales, Manufacture des Tabacs 21 Allées de Brienne, 31042 Toulouse cedex, France

host the Fifth Conference on

"Industrial Organization and the Food Processing Industry"

Toulouse, June 14-15, 2002

http://www.idei.asso.fr/Commun/Conferences/ http://www.toulouse.inra.fr/centre/esr/conf.htm

**THE OBJECTIVE OF THE CONFERENCE** is to discuss recent contributions in theoretical and empirical industrial organization to the understanding of the functioning of food markets. Special attention will be given to the formal analysis of firms' market conduct, the relationships between agriculture, the food processing industry and distribution networks, and the new issues raised by biotechnology in the agro-food sector.

A selection of the papers presented in the conference will be considered for publication in a special issue of the

### JOURNAL OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT STRATEGY.

#### TOPICS TO BE COVERED include

- Market conduct and market power
- Strategic Interaction
- Contractual relationships in the agro-food chain
- Agriculture-Industry-Distribution Contracts
- Production Co-operatives and Contracts
- Product Differentiation
- Pricing and Entry
- Product Quality, Information and Food Safety
- The role of Biotechnology, GMO.
- Intellectual property rights and Biotechnology.

#### **CONFERENCE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE :**

J.-J. Laffont (IDEI), T. Magnac (INRA-LEA Paris), J. Perloff (University of California at Berkeley), V. Réquillart (INRA Toulouse), P. Rey (IDEI), J. Tirole (IDEI).

#### **CONFERENCE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE:**

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SUBMISSION Deadline: January 31, 2002 (Electronic submission to fauchie@cict.fr preferred)

**ECONOMISTS** are invited to submit papers for presentation by returning, as soon as possible, the enclosed submission form. A preliminary version of the paper(s) should be received by **January 31**, **2002**. A decision will be made by February 28, 2002. The final version of the accepted paper(s) should be received by April 15, 2002.

**Location** : Institut D'Economie Industrielle, Université des Sciences Sociales, Manufacture des Tabacs, 21 Allées de Brienne, 31042 Toulouse cedex, France.

Date : June, 14-15, 2002.

#### Costs and accommodation :

The registration fee for the conference is **<u>250 EUROS</u>**. This covers meals (two lunches and a conference dinner), coffee breaks and copies of papers. Registration fee is waived for speakers and the latters travel fare (on the basis of APEX type fare) and local accommodation costs are reimbursed by the conference organizing committee. Further information on the conference and accommodation will be sent to those who have pre-registered.

For further information, please contact:

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