#### - ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS -

## INSTITUT NATIONAL DE LA RECHERCHE AGRONOMIQUE (INRA)

and

#### INSTITUT D'ECONOMIE INDUSTRIELLE (IDEI)

Université des Sciences Sociales, Place Anatole France 31042 Toulouse, France

host the Fourth Conference on

# INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATION AND THE FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRY

Toulouse, June, 22-23, 2000

THE OBJECTIVE OF THE CONFERENCE is to discuss recent contributions of 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 and the relationships between agriculture, the food processing industry and distribution networks.

#### TOPICS TO BE COVERED include

- Market conduct and market power
  - The social costs of market power
  - Pricing and Entry
  - ◆ Strategic Interaction
  - Product Differentiation
  - Antitrust and Regulation
- Contractual relationships in the agro-food chain
  - Production Co-operatives and Contracts
  - Agriculture-Industry-Distribution Contracts
  - Product Quality and Information, Food Safety
  - Research and Development

**THE CONFERENCE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE** is presently composed of J. Perloff (UC Berkeley), V. Réquillart (INRA), R. Sexton (University of California, Davis), J. Tirole (IDEI), Q. Vuong (INRA, University of Southern California).

**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, 2000. A decision will be made by February 29, 2000. The final version of the accepted paper(s) should be received by April 15, 2000.

**ATTENDANCE** is limited to 60 participants.

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

**Date**: June, 22-23, 2000.

**Costs and accomodation**: the registration fee for the conference is 1250 Francs. This

covers meals (two lunches and a conference dinner), coffee breaks and copies of papers. Further information on the conference and accommodation will be sent to those who have

pre-registered.

**THE CONFERENCE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE** is composed of P. Bontems (INRA), F. Gasmi (IDEI), M. Simioni (INRA).

For further information, please contact:

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## PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

# 4th INRA-IDEI Conference on Industrial Organization and the Food Processing Industry

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Please send this form to the conference secretariat :

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