

July 14, 2008

XIV International Conference of the Russian Grain Union «Grain and Oilseed markets in 2008/09: Global Shifts and outcomes for Russia and Black Sea Region», to take part on September 9, 2008 at Moscow Renaissance hotel (Olimpiyskiy prospect, 18/1).

The National Commodity Exchange just became the sponsor and participant of the Conference.

The National Commodity Exchange was established in 2002. Among the exchange founders are MICEX, biggest Russian stock and currency exchange, Russian Grain Union, and group of biggest regional grain traders. Since 2002 NCE plays as a floor for carrying out the Russian state grain interventions.

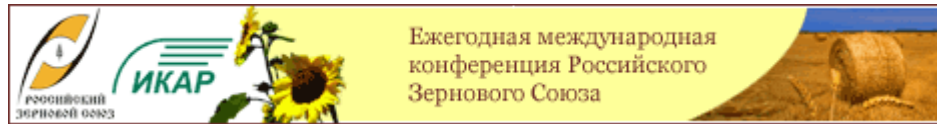
On April 9, 2008 NCE has launched two futures contracts on the milling wheat with delivery points the country elevators of South Russia and FOB Novorossiysk.

During first three month of contract trades there were 3425 transactions with 13723 contracts valued at RUR5.2 billion (about 900000 tons of wheat). June total contracts turnover increased by 135% in comparison with May 2008.

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- Formation of the new railroad company: consequences for the Black Sea grain transportation situation
- Update on the performance of NCE new wheat futures

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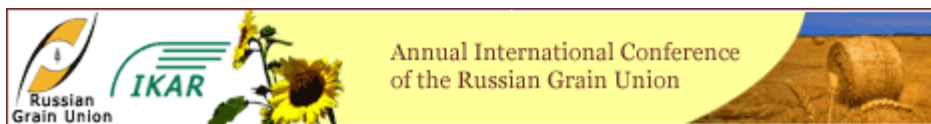
Among new conference participants are two major international banks – **BNP Paribas** and **Natixis**. Both banks are active players on the Black Sea grain and oilseed credit and financial markets.

The conference is joined by **Ivolga Holding**, biggest regional grain and oilseed vertically integrated holding company. Ivolga is headquartered in the city of Petropavlovsk, Northern Kazakhstan. The company controls hundreds thousand hectares of arable land, and dozens elevators both in Russia and Kazakhstan. The company is involved into growing of grains, oilseeds and sugar beet. Ivolga is one of biggest regional grain exporters.

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David Jackson, Director for oilseed and grain research, LMC International (UK) is to make a presentation on the theme “**Oilseed world and EU markets: implications for Black Sea region**”. David Jackson studied Economics at Cambridge University before working in the City of London as an analyst. He subsequently spent five years working on agricultural projects in southern Africa before joining LMC International, where he has worked extensively in many commodity sectors, including oilseeds, sugar and cereals, and their extension into biofuels. LMC International have been providing economic analysis to the world’s agricultural commodity sectors for 30 years. Based in Oxford, England and with offices in New York and Washington, LMC have an internationally respected presence in global agricultural markets, and work in grains, oilseeds, sugar, coffee, cocoa, rubber and their downstream industries. Recently, LMC have developed a major presence in the analysis of biofuel sectors worldwide.

Among new conference participants are Fortis Bank (Netherlands), GCM Group (Pakistan), KWC Lochow GMBH (Germany), Parnas APK (St. Petersburg), OAO Melnitsa (Omsk), Krasnodarzernoproduct-Expo (Krasnodar) and others.

The representatives of **OAO APK OGO** will participate in the conference.

OAO APK OGO is one of the major domestic agribusiness holdings. It is ranked among top five domestic companies regarding grain elevators capacity, as well as flour and feed concentrates operations. The company possesses annual processing capacity for 650 TMT of flour, 580 TMT of feed concentrates, 40 TMT of broiler meat, 100 TMT of bread and bakery products. Daily OGO’s grain storage capacity reaches 1.8 MMT. The company is highly active on the grain pre-export market.

In 2007 the company has increased its grain sales by 77%, flour milling operations by 21%, feed concentrates by 7%, broiler meat production by 22%.

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PARTICIPATION REQUEST
for the
XIV International Conference of the Russian Grain Union
«Grain and oilseed markets in 2008/09:
global shifts and consequences for Russia and Black Sea region»

September 9, 2008,
 Moscow, the Renaissance Hotel (Olympiysky pr-t, 18/1)

Company (full name)		country
Participant's full name		
Position		
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Participation status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor	<input type="checkbox"/> Informational partner	<input type="checkbox"/> Speaker	<input type="checkbox"/> RGU member	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
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Hereby I reserve the participation in the XIV IC of the RGU -2008, organizational payment ***, (including VAT) will be paid to the Russian Grain Union:

<input type="checkbox"/> - by transfer (requirement of the invoice)	<input type="checkbox"/> - by cash
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(***The payment is to be fulfilled during 3 banking days from the invoicing date)

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The application was filled in by (name, position, signature), the application date

THE ORGANIZATIONAL PAYMENT RATE

<i>If paid before 10.08.08</i>	<i>For RGU members</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Participation in the conference of 1 foreign company's representative</i>	500 euro	550 euro
<i>Participation in the conference of 2-d, 3-d, etc. foreign company's representatives</i>	420 euro	480 euro

<i>If paid from 11.08.08 to 09.09.08</i>	<i>For RGU members</i>	<i>Others</i>
<i>Participation in the conference of 1 foreign company's representative</i>	600 euro	650 euro
<i>Participation in the conference of 2-d, 3-d, etc. foreign company's representatives</i>	500 euro	550 euro

Organizational payment includes: congress hall and equipment rent, hand-out materials, simultaneous translation, coffee breaks, mini-buffet, lunch in the honour of the participants of the XIV IC of the RGU.

10% early bird discount for payment before August 1!