



Mega Trends Shaping the Future of Agriculture in Southern Africa

Prof Ferdinand Meyer is the Director of the Bureau for Food and Agricultural Policy (BFAP), South Africa. BFAP is a non-profit company that specialises in the field of commodity and supply chain modelling, scenario planning, risk analysis, consumer economics and food price inflation. As a Director, he continuously engages with a wide group of stakeholders in the public and private sectors. Meyer obtained his doctoral qualification through a study abroad programme at the University of Missouri, United States. He specialises in agricultural market, trade and policy analysis, strategic forecasting and scenario planning.



Meyer's professional highlights include:

- Founding member of BFAP (2004)
- Board Member: Protein Research Foundation
- Board Member: Agrico Machinery Pty Ltd
- Board Member: Regional Network of Agricultural Policy Research Institutes
- Former Member of the National Crop Estimates Committee
- Rated researcher at the National Research Foundation
- Received the Exceptional Young Achievers Award – University of Pretoria
- South Africa's Agriculturalist of the Year 2014 – Agricultural Writers South Africa
- 18 Masters and nine Doctoral students have graduated under his supervision
- Nine awards from the Agricultural Economics Association of South Africa
- 64 Research reports, working papers and peer reviewed articles
- Attended more than 120 national and international conferences as invited speaker

Furthermore, Meyer is an active member of the farming community, chairs various organisations, and participates in various fundraising and charitable activities.

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