

## The Global Food Crisis - Impact on Wheat Markets and Trade in the Caucasus and Central Asia and the Role of Kazakhstan, Russia and Ukraine

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The project investigates wheat markets in the Caucasus and Central Asia and the major supplier countries of this region, namely Kazakhstan, Russia and Ukraine (KRU) against the background of the ongoing global food crisis. Long-term rising prices and increasing price volatility on the world markets for agricultural raw materials have considerably affected the countries in Central Asia and the Caucasus. However, up until today there is nearly no empirical evidence on how wheat markets in this region work and how prices are formed. The present research project aims to close this research gap. Three different but closely connected working groups will carry out empirical analyses on price transmission and price volatility, structure of the wheat supply chains, and wheat trade patterns and relationships. The project consortium consists of 9 research institutions, most of them located in Central Asia and the Caucasus. A group of 6 PhD students coming predominantly from the countries under study is involved in the international research team.

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