

Professor Kym Anderson

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Chancellor, it gives me great pleasure to present to you Professor Kym Anderson.

Professor Anderson is one of the world's great agricultural economists. He has worked in this field over the past 40 years. His current position is George Gollin Professor of Economics in the University of Adelaide (since 1991), and he was previously Foundation Executive Director, Centre for International Economic Studies, University of Adelaide, Lead Economist (Trade Policy), Development Research Group, World Bank, Washington, DC, Counsellor and deputy director of the Economic Research and Analysis Division, GATT (now WTO) Secretariat, Geneva and Research Fellow, Department of Economics, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies, Australian National University (ANU). He now holds a number of visiting and honorary positions at other Universities including at the ANU.

He was elected as Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia (FASSA) in 1994, has been a Fellow of the American Agricultural Economics Association, now Agricultural and Applied Economics Association since 2004, and a Distinguished Fellow of the Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society since 2002.

Professor Anderson is regularly invited to provide key-note addresses in conferences in his field around the world. He has served in a number of policy roles for the Australian government covering such issues as the world food price crisis, Australia's engagement with Asia, prospective gains from the next round of WTO trade negotiations, and Australia's foreign and trade policies. Since April 2011 he has served as a member of the Commission of the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research.

He has recently been elected to take over the Chair of the International Food Policy Research Institute from December 2014 and since December 2013 has joined the Science and Policy Advisory Panel for the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research program on Policies, Institutions and Markets. He has also been elected to the Board of Directors and to the Finance Committee of the International Association of Agricultural Economists and of the Fund for the International Conference of Agricultural Economists, from September 2013.

Professor Anderson has been a leader in the development and application of the methodology of computable general equilibrium modelling, and has been a Research Fellow of the Global Trade Analysis Project (GTAP) based at Purdue University, from 2006.

Professor Anderson has made an important contribution to the understanding of the global wine industry: he is Foundation Executive Director of the Wine Economics Research Centre, University of Adelaide, and the University of Bordeaux IV has recently appointed Professor Anderson to the Advisory Board of their new Wine Economics Group. From 2000 to 2005 he was member of the Board of the Grape and Wine Research and Development Corporation. He has also recently released a new issue of a compendium on the distribution of grape varieties around the world, which received global media coverage.

Professor Anderson is an outstanding scholar and citizen of this country, a person who commands world-wide recognition of his work and a very important contributor to the global reputation of this University.

I am very pleased and proud to present to you Chancellor, for admission to the honorary degree of Doctor of Economics (honoris causa) — Professor Kym Anderson.