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## German Journal of Agricultural Economics – Special Issue – Call for Papers “Developments of Agribusiness Clusters in the Globalizing Countryside”

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Rural economies have been transformed rapidly over the past decades – and are still subject to dynamic changes. New configurations of production, distribution and consumption have evolved quickly to create complex and hybrid forms of organization with respect to agricultural based value chains. Value chain enhancements often go hand in hand with cluster developments. However, while plenty of research has been done on clusters worldwide, we do not know much yet how they are “plugged in” multi-scalar networks of increasingly global interconnectedness. In addition, there is a growing recognition that cluster developments can only be understood properly when analyzing their dynamics over time and space.

Against this background the special issue aims at understanding dynamic developments related to agribusiness clusters in a globalizing countryside, not only in the US and the EU but also in developing and emerging economies. The focus will be on quantitative studies, modelling approaches and qualitative empirical analyses.

### Topics

- How does globalization influence the countryside in developed, emerging and developing economies?
- How do globalizing agricultural value chains and production networks influence the development of agribusiness clusters?

- What are the endogenous and exogenous drivers of the development of agribusiness clusters?
- How can cluster policies and governance be understood in an evolutionary perspective?
- Which economic, social and ecological consequences does the globalization of the countryside have?

### Submission procedure

Please submit your full paper to Ludwig Theuvsen (e-mail: [theuvsen@uni-goettingen.de](mailto:theuvsen@uni-goettingen.de)) or Christine Tamásy ([christine.tamasy@uni-vechta.de](mailto:christine.tamasy@uni-vechta.de)). For the full paper submission please follow the “Instruction for Authors” of the GJAE (<http://www.gjae-online.de/hinweisfuerautoren/pages/>). Full papers will follow the usual double-blind review process of the GJAE. Papers that pass the review process and cannot be fitted into the special issue will be published in a regular issue of the GJAE.

### Deadlines

Submission of full papers for review:  
until April 30, 2016.

Notification of acceptance/revision/rejection:  
until August 31, 2016

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