

AgBio Business Breakfast – *The Human Face of AgBio – feeding the world with sustainable agriculture, through the social use of biotechnology*



A RARE opportunity to hear from Prof M. S. Swaminathan

- described by the United Nations Environment Programme as the '*Father of Economic Ecology*' and by Javier Perez de Cuellar, former Secretary General of the United Nations, as "*a living legend who will go into the annals of history as a world scientist of rare distinction*".

Thursday 14th September 2006

Location: BioFirst Seminar Room
G18 Ground Floor
National Innovation Centre
Australian Technology Park
Eveleigh NSW 1430

Invitation

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A plant geneticist by training, Professor Swaminathan's contributions to the agricultural renaissance of India have led to his being widely referred to as the scientific leader of the green revolution movement. His advocacy of sustainable agriculture leading to an ever-green revolution makes him an acknowledged world leader in the field of sustainable food security. The International Association of Women and Development conferred on him the first international award for significant contributions to promoting the knowledge, skill, and technological empowerment of women in agriculture.

Professor Swaminathan is a Fellow of many of the leading scientific academies of the world, including the Royal Society of London, the US National Academy of Sciences and Institute of Advanced Studies at the UN University in Japan. He has received 43 honorary doctorate degrees from universities around the world. He has also served as Independent Chairman of the FAO Council & President of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources.

Professor M. S. Swaminathan has been acclaimed by *TIME* magazine as one of the twenty most influential Asians of the 20th century, Professor Swaminathan has received numerous awards, including the Albert Einstein World Science Award in 1986, the Franklin D Roosevelt Four Freedoms Award in 2000, and the Blue Planet Prize by Asahi Foundation by Asahi Foundation.

Prof Swaminathan is also the founding Chair of the M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF), registered in 1988 as a non-profit Trust to impart a pro-nature, pro-poor and pro-women orientation to a job-led economic growth strategy in rural areas through harnessing science and technology for environmentally sustainable and socially equitable development. MSSRF is doing research in the following five areas: Coastal Systems Research, Biodiversity and Biotechnology, Ecotechnology and Sustainable Agriculture, Reaching the Unreached, and Education, Communication, Training and Capacity Building.

This is a rare opportunity to hear one of the leading scientists of all time – be inspired by his presentation of biotechnology for sustainable agriculture

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