

# The GSB Asia-Australia workshop

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- The countries we seek to include have in total about half the world population
- In 2008, these countries consumed 35% (3.9 Btoe) of the total world commercially traded fuels (11.3 Btoe)
- This consumption increased over 2007 by 4.1% while total world consumption increased by 1.4%

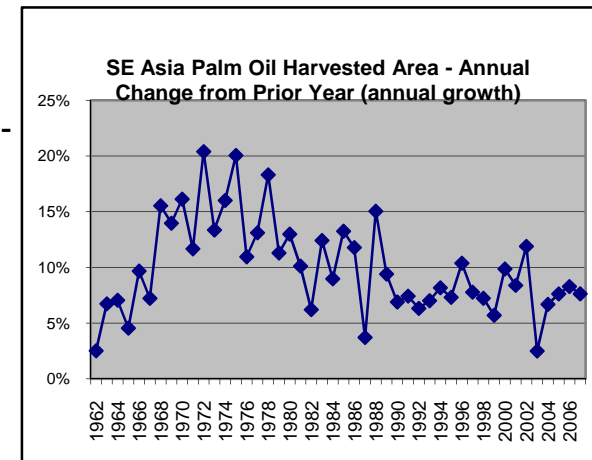
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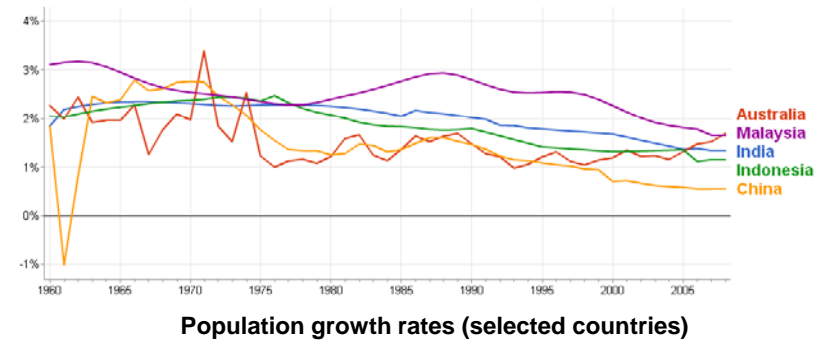
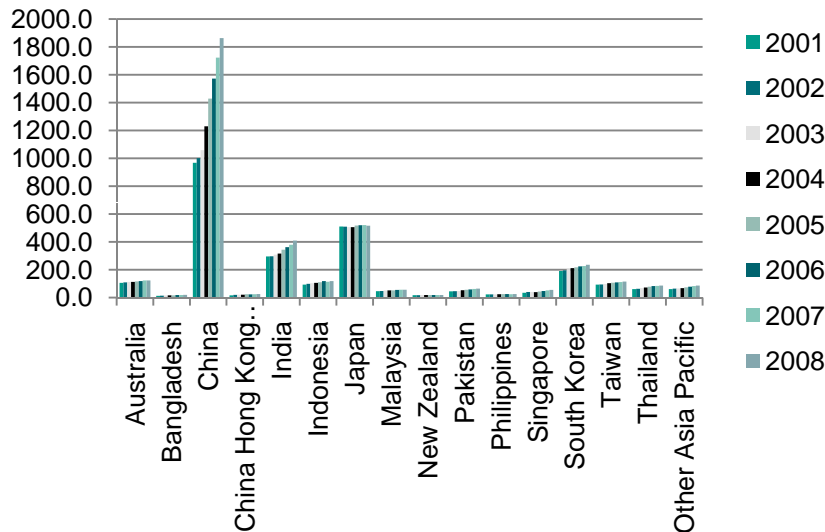
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# What are some of the issues and challenges?

- **Diversity with respect to many dimensions**
  - Physical size, population trends, energy policies, state of economic development, trends in land use change, etc.
- **Deforestation in the tropics**
  - Trends, drivers
- **Oil palm (SE Asia)**
  - E.g., productivity, sustainable mill operations, impact of use of ligno-cellulosic parts
- **Agricultural practices**
  - e.g., water availability, usage, new feedstock such as Jatropha, Acacia, others

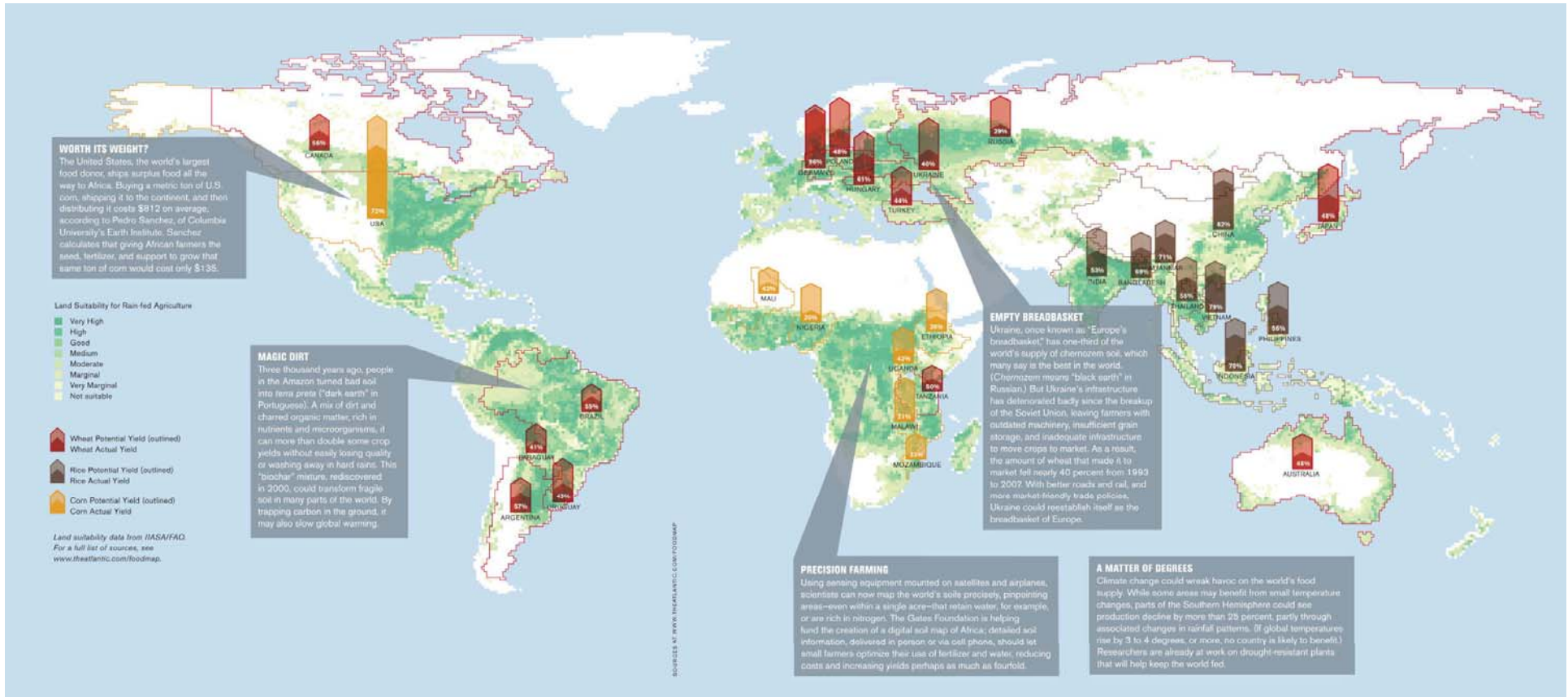


Commercially-traded fuel consumption (Mt oil equiv)



Source: IEA.org and FAO

# Agriculture potential



Source: The Atlantic, September 2009, "The next breadbasket?"

<http://www.theatlantic.com/doc/print/200909/map-food>

Based on FAO data



# GSB Asia-Australia workshop logistics

- Hotel Nikko, Kuala Lumpur
- June 14 – 16, 2010
- Local arrangements committee:
  - From UTM: Prof.Ramlan Abdul Aziz, Prof.Dr.Hamdani Saidi, Prof. Dr. Rahmalan Ahmad, Prof.Dr. Mohd Roji Sarmidi, Prof. Dr. rer.nat.Hesham El-Enshasy, Assoc.Prof.Ir.Dr.Maulud Latif, Dr. Zainul Akmar Zakaria, Jeffry Samsulbahrain, Rohaizan Khairul Anuar, Nurarbainah Shamsul Anuar
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