

**Tom Rosser**  
**Assistant Deputy Minister, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC).**

Tom Rosser is currently the Senior Assistant Deputy Minister, at the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, of the Canadian Government. Previously, he was the Assistant Deputy Minister of the Canadian Forest Service (CFS) of Natural Resources Canada and as such, he led a science-based policy organization with close to 800 employees working in forest research centres in five locations across Canada, as well as in science and economic policy coordination functions in Ottawa.

Tom holds a MSc in Environmental and Resource Economics from the University of London as well as Master and Bachelor degrees in Public Administration from Carleton University in Ottawa.

In his current capacity as Assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Tom is IICA's primary contact with the Government of Canada and we are delighted to welcome him to this event as his introduction to IICA and to this hemispheric community working on behalf of the farmers and ranchers of the Americas and the Caribbean.