

PRX Annual Seminar

American Agribusiness & Production Agriculture Insights

Global Surpluses ??, Green NO Deal, Blue Sky Model

April 10 & 11, 2025

Intercontinental Hotel, Kansas City Plaza

Thursday, April 10

Seminar Convenes 3:00 pm

Ballroom Salons

3:00 pm	Opening Remarks	Marty Ruikka & Brian Burke
	Welcome & Introductions	The ProExporter Network® & John Stewart and Associates
3:10 pm	World Outlook & Conflicts	Brian Burke
	Demand, Stocks, Transportation	John Stewart and Associates
4:10 pm	Green Policy Collapse Impact	Invited
	Climate, Yield Risk	TBD
5:00 pm	Pervasive Policy Risk - Cycles & Episodes	Marty Ruikka
	Agribusiness Investing, Blue Sky Model	The ProExporter Network®
6:00 pm	Networking Reception	Rooftop Ballroom
	Heavy Appetizers & Refreshments	All Seminar Attendees Invited
7:00 pm	Dinner on the KC Plaza	Various Restaurants Nearby
	Make Your Own Dinner Plans	See Hotel Concierge for Assistance

Friday, April 11

Breakfast 6:45 - 8:00 am

Ballroom Salon 2

Seminar Reconvenes 8:00 am

Ballroom Salons

8:00 am	Macroeconomics of Agriculture	Invited
	Monetary Policy, Ag Policy, Cost of Production	TBD
9:00 am	U.S. Grain & Oilseed Outlook	Analyst
	Futures - Basis - Spreads - Carry	John Stewart and Associates
9:45 am	Refreshment Break	Ballroom Foyer
	Coffee, Soda, Cookies, Snacks	
10:00 am	Biofuel Build Out	Ryan Ruikka
	Updating: SAF - RD - BD - Ethanol	The ProExporter Network®
11:00 am	U.S. Industrial Use Outlook	Kevin Clausen
	Wet & Dry Milling, Crush & Feed	John Stewart and Associates
12:00 pm	Adjourn	Travel Safe

Thank You for Attending the PRX Annual Seminar

Program Speakers

Marty Ruikka is President of the The ProExporter Network® and the firm's principal. He assisted founder Bill Hudson at the firm's launch in 1988 and followed on in 1993 working on satellite based mapping applications in conjunction with NASA's Stennis Space Center. Marty leads the PRX project team analyzing strategic grain origination projects including mergers, acquisitions, elevator studies and ethanol studies. He co-developed the Commodity Market Zone Analysis (CMZA) software, a grain origination-modeling tool based on a geographical information system (GIS). Marty is responsible for business development and operations at PRX. He also coordinates the PRX research agenda and presents the firm's findings at many industry functions.

Brian Burke joined JSA in 2011 and opened the St. Louis Branch. In 2014 Brian became a principle of JSA focused on expanding JSA's eastern market presence as well as producer marketing options for clients. Brian graduated with a bachelor's degree in marketing and management from Southern Illinois University. His experience in the agriculture business has focused on risk management for grains, oilseeds, and renewable energy products.

Brian started his career with ADM in Decatur, Illinois, managing truck/rail corn and beans positions for the Grain and Processing Divisions. During his 11-year career with ADM he also traded specialty grains internationally and developed producer marketing programs for the Grain Division. After ADM Brian spent 5 years in the ethanol industry overseeing all marketing activities of grain, ethanol, DDGS, NG, and logistics for 5 US plants. In addition all international ethanol trading activities which originated out of the US and Brazil were managed.

Ryan Ruikka is the Biofuels Energy Analyst for The ProExporter Network®. Ryan has built and publishes the PRX bio-mass-based diesel monthly report, along with updating and publishing the weekly and monthly ethanol reports. Previously for PRX, he researched big academic and government computer models used in forecasting the future state of the agricultural sector. Ryan studied at Boston University receiving a B.A. in Mathematics and a B.A./M.A. in Economics. Graduating in four years with all three degrees while playing varsity hockey for the Terriers he also won the prestigious department prize in economics. His freshman year culminated in an NCAA National Championship. Ryan served as assistant captain for the hockey team in his fifth year at Boston University while working a second M.A. degree in Financial Economics which is now complete. Ryan has completed 5 seasons playing minor league professional hockey including four years with different teams in Europe and one year in North America for an NHL farm team.

Kevin Clausen joined JSA in 2021 and opened the Anthon, Iowa branch office. Kevin has been involved with agriculture his entire life, growing up on a grain and livestock farm in northwest Iowa where he still farms and feeds cattle today. He graduated from St. Olaf College with a bachelor's degree in Economics and Management. Kevin began his career as a commodity merchandiser with Cargill in Sidney, Ohio. During his 11-year career with Cargill's Grain and Oilseed Processing division he held various roles in Ohio, Iowa, North Dakota, and Missouri. In his last role with Cargill, he was the General Manager for Cargill's Sioux City, Kansas City and Wichita crush plants and was a board member for Cargill's Kansas City biodiesel plant. In 2013, Kevin joined Koch Industries as General Manager for origination and trading for their 7 ethanol plants. In this position he led the teams responsible for originating 300 million bushels of corn per year and trading risk management strategies. Kevin Clausen is a registered Associated Person of John Stewart and Associates and a principal in the company.