

EXPOPRADO British Embassy Montevideo GREAT Pavilion

WHAT?

- Expo Prado is Uruguayan Rural Association's annual agricultural open air show that attracts more than 400,000 visitors over 12 days. It is the largest agricultural and cultural show in Uruguay.
- Visitors include government authorities (President, Ministers), international judges, Ambassadors, leading agricultural businesses, landowners, regional livestock producers (Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay).
- Breeders exhibit their best livestock to win the national prize for best breed in their category increasing the overall value at auction.
- 14 breeds are British, the most popular/competitive being Hereford and Aberdeen Angus.
- The latest technology in rural, road, forestry, genetic, dairy, and anything related to the agricultural world is exhibited.
- The show has been running for 112 years and has broadened its offer to showcase Uruguayan culture and International business (country pavilions)
- Country Pavilions include: Brazil, Argentina, Spain, Chile, Mexico, France, Indonesia and UK.

WHY?

- 2013/2014 FY embassy funded a project to research UK Uruguay commercial relationship and scope for business opportunities. This was done through the British Uruguayan Chamber of Commerce, implemented by PwC with FCO Bilateral Funds.
- Report listed potential opportunities for UK exports to Uruguay and highlighted further growth potential in the agribusiness sector.
- Based on the above the Embassy concluded that it was a business opportunity to develop and Expo Prado would be the platform to communicate that the UK is open for business.
- The British Pavilion was formerly run by the Chamber of Commerce but for ceased to participate in 2005.

MAIN CONCLUSIONS OF THE REPORT

Opportunities for UK

Other potential opportunity to strengthen bilateral trade would involve **machinery for the primary sector**, in particular, for agriculture...

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Combines, presses, lawn mowers	49.3	73.4	70.1	78.7	89.3
Milking machines and dairy machinery equipment	4.5	5.4	3.1	6.4	12.4
Other machinery for agricultural, horticultural, forestry or bee.	9.7	17.2	23.3	16.9	34
Tractors	52.4	88.4	115.1	117.2	139.9
Total	115.9	184.4	211.6	219.2	275.6

Uruguayan imports of this machinery increased in the last five years, being **Brazil**, **United States**, **Argentina** and **Mexico** the main suppliers.

PwC

UK is one of the 10 main suppliers of this type of machinery

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- In the last 10 years, British exports to Uruguay of farming equipment have increased from \$1m for the period 2004-2008 to USD 8 million.
- In 2013 total imports of farming equipment to Uruguay were USD 215 million
- Between 2009 2013 this figure has more than doubled
- Considerable scope for increasing British exports and introducing new suppliers was highlighted.
- Embassy leading the UK stand gives a unified, strong country image living up to the reputational standards of the UK business environment. It also gives British brands the opportunity to showcase themselves which they would be unable to do without FCO support.

Exhibiting Companies:

- **√** JCB
- ✓ ADF Milking
- ✓ Hunter Boots
- ✓ Barbour
- ✓ FCR DAS Certifications
- **√**GSK
- ✓ International House
- ✓ EF Language Institute

Support from:

- **✓** DIAGEO
- ✓ Fuller's
- ✓ Royal & Sun Alliance

Main Highlights:

- ✓ High level launch of pavilion
- ✓ Great British Pub
- ✓ Flash Mob
- ✓ Chevening Conference
- ✓ ADF Milking Conference
- ✓ City of Montevideo Pipe Band















Exhibiting Companies:

- **√**JCB
- ✓ Land Rover
- ✓ Norbrook
- ✓ Baker Tilly
- ✓ FCR DAS
- ✓ Barbour
- ✓ UK Consumer goods
- ✓ RCB Polo Club
- √ University of Montevideo / UCL
- ✓ EF Language Institute
- ✓ International House
- √ Hereford Association

Support from:

Visit Britain

British Council

Falkland Islands

Fuller's

DIAGEO

Royal & Sun Alliance

Main Highlights:

British Pub

Tea House

Live Music, quiz night, etc.

Prized Best International Pavilion

High level launch of pavilion

Chevening Conference

Arrhythmia alliance participation



















Exhibiting Companies:

- **√**JCB
- ✓ FCR DAS
- ✓ Muvin
- ✓ Mastra
- ✓ Nuez & Chocolate
- ✓ RCB Polo Club
- ✓ Noblex
- ✓ Dalfamar
- **√**EF
- √ Harper Adams University

Support from:

British Council Falkland Islands Visit Britain

Main Highlights:

Royal visit of HRH Earl of Wessex In

Agri-Tech Conferences
HackathonAGRO – at no expense
Chevening Conference
Inter-Parliamentary Union British
Group visit Uruguay / Expo Prado

Agri-Tech conferences and HackathonAgro:





























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