

Who will fix the broken CAP?

A recipe for a Living Land

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Welcome!

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Session 1: The CAP – no longer fit for purpose!

- 8:45 - 9:30** Welcome by *Jeremy Wates*, EEB Secretary General,
Keynote speech by *Phil Hogan*, European Commissioner for Agriculture
Q&A
- 9:30 - 9:45** Is the CAP Fit for Purpose? A rapid assessment of the evidence
Dr. Guy Pe'er, German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv) Halle-Jena-Laipzig
and Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ
Dr. Sebastian Lakner, University of Göttingen, Department for Agricultural Economics and Rural
Development
- 9:45 - 10:45** Civil society presentations: *Thierry Kesteloot*, OXFAM; *Geneviève Savigny*, Farmer,
Coordination Européenne Via Campesina (ECVC); *Olga Kikou*, Compassion In World Farming
(CIWF); *Trees Robijns*, BirdLife Europe; *Dr. Ignas Van Bebber*, Surgical Oncologist
- 10:45 - 11:30** High-level panel reaction: *Daniel Calleja Crespo*, Director-General for Environment; *Prof. Dr.
Beate Jessel*, President of the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation; *Jorge Sainz
Elías*, Head Counsellor, Agriculture, Fish and Food Section, Spanish Permanent
Representation to the EU; *Fredrik Langdal*, Agricultural Counsellor, Swedish Permanent
Representation to the EU (Special Committee on Agriculture)
- 11:30 - 12:00** **Coffee Break**

Session 2: Ingredients for a Living Land

- 12:00 - 12:15** Intervention from top French chef
Bernard Fournier, Eurotoques France, Honorary President
- 12:15 - 13:15** Panel discussion: *Vanessa Cuevas Rubio*, Committee of the Regions representative for Occitanie
region (France); *Jean-Paul Denanot* MEP; *Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy* MEP
- 13:15 - 14:30** **Lunch**
- 14:30 - 15:00** How to fix the CAP: Food for thought from farmers
Alex Datema, Dutch livestock farmer & Chairman of BoerenNatuur.nl
Olivier Mehuys, Livestock farmer, Producer at Efarmz
Kurt Sannen, Organic livestock farmer, Bioforum Vlaanderen, IFOAM EU
- 15:00 - 16:00** Civil society presentations:
Dr. Ursula Hudson, President, Slow Food Germany
Nikolai Pushkarev, European Public Health Alliance (EPHA)
Olivier De Schutter, IPES food
David Baldock, Institute for European Environmental Policy (IEEP)
Faustine Bas-Defossez, European Environmental Bureau (EEB)
- 16:00 - 16:15** Closing remarks by *Ariel Brunner*, BirdLife Europe
- 16:15 - 16:30** Projection: trailer of film 'Demain'

Drinks Reception

Speakers

Jeremy Wates, EEB Secretary General

Jeremy Wates has been Secretary General of the European Environmental Bureau since May 2011. In a career that has included grassroots activism, freelance consultancy, working as an international civil servant and organic farming, respect for the environment has always been a central preoccupation. Prior to joining the EEB, Jeremy served for more than a decade as Secretary to the Aarhus Convention with the Geneva-based United Nations Economic Commission for Europe. Jeremy holds an MA Honours Degree in Philosophy and Social & Political Sciences from Cambridge University, UK. In 2011, Jeremy was awarded the David Brower Lifetime Achievement Award.

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Phil Hogan, EU Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development

Phil Hogan is a graduate of University College Cork, with a BA in Economics and Geography. Commissioner Hogan grew up on a farm in Kilkenny, in south-east Ireland. Between 2011 and 2014, he served as Minister for the Environment and Local Government in the Irish Government. During this time he also acted as President of the Council of EU Environment Ministers during the Irish presidency in 2013. He has been EU Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development since November 2014.

@PhilHoganEU

Dr. Guy Pe'er, German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv) Halle-Jena-Leipzig and Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ

Guy Pe'er holds a PhD in conservation biology from Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel. Beyond research and monitoring of biodiversity, he increasingly employs interdisciplinary research to address land-use conflicts and key policies that affect both nature and humans. The CAP has become a central topic in his research: his current main project focuses on evaluating the greening measures from ecological and socio-economic perspectives, and developing evidence-based recommendations to support the upcoming CAP reform. This work is done at the German Centre for Integrative Biodiversity Research (iDiv) Jena-Halle-Leipzig, and in close collaboration with the Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research - UFZ.

Dr. Sebastian Lakner, University of Göttingen, Department for Agricultural Economics and Rural Development

Sebastian Lakner received his PhD in the field of agricultural economics. Since 2010 he has worked as a Research Associate at the University of Göttingen (Germany) in the Department of Agricultural Economics & Rural Development. His main research interests are productivity and efficiency analysis, economics and structural change of organic farming, sustainability assessments of farming systems, as well as the development of the EU's Common Agriculture Policy and economic and ecological impacts of EU agri-environmental policies. Since 2003, he has been working as an agricultural economist in the Engineering Office for Nature-Protection & Agricultural Economics, in Göttingen.

@SebastianLakner

Thierry Kesteloot, OXFAM

Thierry Kesteloot has a masters in sociology and has worked for several years for NGOs in the Philippines, Cambodia, Laos and in Haiti, mainly in rural development programmes. On his return to Belgium he started to work for Oxfam as programme officer for the South-East Asian region. After completing additional training in rural economy, he became a policy advisor on food and agriculture. He covered different issues ranging from the right to food, WTO agricultural negotiations, agricultural policies, and policy coherence for development. Lately he has also worked more on the issue of food price volatility, food speculation, social protection and biofuels. He has facilitated civil society participation at the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) and is currently the focal point of the Civil Society Mechanism of the CFS for Western-Europe. Over the years he has worked in support of farmers' organisations and social movements worldwide including at the International Fora on Food Sovereignty and the one on Agroecology.

@oxfam_sol

Geneviève Savigny, Farmer, Coordination Européenne Via Campesina (ECVC)

Geneviève Savigny and her partner have been hill farming in the south-east of France since 1992, growing wheat, lavender, fodder crops, and producing free range poultry for direct sale at a local market. She has been involved in the French peasant union 'Confédération paysanne' for over 20 years (and has been a member of the board for several years too). In 2009 she joined the coordination committee of 'Via Campesina', a pan-European organisation of small and medium-sized farmers. She is involved in political issues such as the CAP, food sovereignty and trade agreements. She has been a Member of the European Economic and Social Committee since 2015.

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@via_campesina

Olga Kikou, Compassion In World Farming (CIWF)

Olga holds a Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts and has worked in international organisations, in the non-profit sector, and in research and planning. She has been involved in animal advocacy for a number of years. Since joining CIWF, she has worked to advance farm animal welfare and sustainable food and farming policies at EU level, by developing and implementing lobbying strategies in order to influence policy on key issues. She has been responsible for promoting many initiatives and campaigns, exploring synergies and developing productive relationships with civil society organisations and other stakeholders with the aim of increasing awareness and bringing an end to factory farming.

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Trees Robijns, BirdLife Europe

Trees Robijns works for BirdLife Europe on agriculture and bioenergy issues. She followed the last CAP reform process in great detail. Trees holds a Masters degree in International Relations and International Economics from the School of Advanced International Studies (Johns Hopkins University) and a Masters in Political Sciences from the Catholic University of Leuven. Before joining BirdLife, she worked at the German Marshall Fund of the United States in the economic policy programme.

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Dr. Ignas Van Bebber, Surgical Oncologist

Dr. Ignas van Bebber is a surgical oncologist who works at the Jeroen Bosch Hospital in Den Bosch, the Netherlands. He considers himself a 'concerned doctor' who is alarmed by the health risks of livestock. With more than 35 million farm animals and 2.5 million people, his home province North-Brabant is the most livestock-dense area of the Netherlands – and Europe. Research shows that there are significant health risks when large amounts of livestock are in close proximity to homes, due to fine dust, zoonoses (diseases transmitted from animals to humans) and antibiotic resistance to name a few. Van Bebber is very concerned by the increase in cases of lung cancer in livestock-dense areas. He calls for more research to establish whether a relationship exists.

Daniel Calleja Crespo, Director-General for Environment, European Commission

Before joining DG ENV on in September 2015, Mr Calleja was Director-General of DG Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs. Previously, he was the Deputy Director-General of DG Enterprise and Industry, and Special Envoy for SMEs. Mr Calleja was Director for Air Transport at the European Commission from November 2004 to February 2011. He has successfully negotiated, on behalf of the E.U., the EU-US Open Skies Agreement. From 1993 to 2004 he worked in different positions in the cabinets of several Commissioners, including the President of the European Commission. Mr. Calleja was the Head of Cabinet for Commissioner Marcelino Oreja, responsible for institutional affairs, and for the Amsterdam Treaty negotiations. He was also the Head of Cabinet of the Vice-President of the European Commission, Mrs. Loyola de Palacio, in charge of Transport and Energy between 1999 and 2004.

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Prof. Dr. Beate Jessel, President of the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation

Beate Jessel has been President of the German Federal Agency for Nature Conservation since November 2007. Previously she held chairs as a Professor of Landscape Planning at the University of Potsdam and of Strategy and Management in Landscape Development at the Technical University of Munich. Her research priorities include strategies of nature conservation, landscape development and planning. She is a member of various scientific bodies, committees and advisory boards.

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Jorge Sáinz Elías

Jorge Sáinz Elías has a degree in Agricultural Engineering from the Technical University in Madrid (Spain) and a Masters degree in Management and Analysis of Public Policies. Since 2004 he has worked in several positions at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Food and Environment in Spain, including the coordination of the Minister's Cabinet, and as Deputy Director for the coordination and support in European Affairs. Since September 2016 he is Head Counsellor-Agriculture, Fish and Food Section at the Spanish Permanent Representation to the EU.

@UeEspana

Fredrik Langdal

Fredrik Langdal is a counsellor at the Swedish Permanent Representation to the European Union. He is the spokesperson at the Special Committee on Agriculture. He is part of the Group that handles agriculture, fishery, and forestry policy including veterinary, food, and phytosanitary issues. The Group prepares Swedish participation in the Agriculture and Fisheries Council and is also responsible for affairs concerning GMOs and animal protection.

@fredriklangdal

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Bernard Fournier, Eurotoques France President

Bernard Fournier is a top French chef, one of the leaders in his profession. Bernard Fournier was the chef and owner of the 'Le Petit Colombier' restaurant in Paris from 1973 to 2005. He has held several titles including Vice President of the Maitres Cuisiniers de France, Honorary President of Euro-Toques France and Vice President of Euro-Toques Europe, an organisation representing European chefs. He chairs the Food Committee for the European Commission. Bernard Fournier obtained the prestigious awards of Officier du Mérite Agricole and Officier de l'Ordre National du Mérite.

@EuroToques1

Vanessa Cuevas Rubio, Committee of the Regions representative for Occitanie region (France)

Since December 2015, Vanessa Cuevas Rubio has been the Regional representative for the 'Occitanie Pyrénées-Méditerranée' region at the Committee of the Regions in Brussels. Throughout her career she has worked on the efficiency of local public policies.

Jean-Paul Denanot MEP

Jean-Paul Denanot started his political career as socialist Deputy Mayor and then Mayor of Feytiat, a small town in Limousin, France. He was elected Regional Councillor in 1998 and was then nominated Vice President in charge of Agriculture. He was elected President of the Limousin Regional Council in 2010 and is involved in the Committee of the Regions activities. Jean-Paul Denanot was elected as an MEP in May 2014. He is a full member of the Agriculture and Rural development committee (AGRI), a substitute on the Budget committee (BUDG) and also Co-President of the parliamentary Intergroup on 'Common Goods & Public Services'.

@jpdenanot

Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy MEP

Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy was elected in 2009 and 2014 as Member of the European Parliament for the ALDE Group (D66, the Netherlands). He is the ALDE co-coordinator in the Parliamentary Committee on Environment, Health and Food Safety. He is also a substitute member of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy and the Budgetary Control Committee. Before joining the European Parliament, Mr. Gerbrandy was political secretary of the Dutch parliamentary group of D66 and a senior political adviser at the Dutch Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality. He studied public administration at Leiden University, and at the University of Scranton in Pennsylvania. Mr. Gerbrandy began his career as a political assistant to Joris Voorhoeve, former director of the Clingendael Institute. From 1994 to 1998 he was the personal assistant of Doeke Eisma, MEP for D66.

@Gerbrandy

Alex Datema, Dutch livestock farmer & Chairman of BoerenNatuur.nl

Alex Datema is a dairy farmer. He has 115 cows and 70 hectares of land, on which 7 hectares is nature protection ground. On 15 hectares of his land he takes part in an agri-environmental schemes to protect meadowland birds. Since February 2016, he has been the chairman of BoerenNatuur.nl (Farmers and Nature), a national association of the 40 collectives who manage the agri-environmental schemes in The Netherlands. In total there are 7000 farmers who take part in the collective approach, together they manage 70000 hectares. This management focuses on the protection of farmland birds, landscape maintenance and water services.

@AlexDatema

@BoerennatuurNL

Olivier Mehuys, Livestock farmer, Producer at Efarmz

Olivier Mehuys is a livestock and agriculture farmer. Before he became a farmer he studied economics in Brussels. After his studies he decided to take over half of the family farm and is now working together with his father. Olivier wants to farm in a sustainable way and is therefore regenerating the traditional family farm step by step.

@EFARMZ

Kurt Sannen, Organic livestock farmer, Bioforum Vlaanderen, IFOAM EU

Kurt Sannen has served as chairman of Bioforum Vlaanderen (Belgium) since 2012. BioForum unites and supports the entire organic sector in Flanders: farmers, processors, distributors, retail, food services, research, and civil society. Sannen is Vice Chair of the farmers group of IFOAM-EU, the organisation of the international organic movement. At his organic farm in Diest, Kurt Sannen raises cows and sheep. By working with nature conservation groups, by using suitable local livestock breeds, and by working with a short supply chain, Sannen has developed an innovative High Nature Value farming system which is well-suited for a densely populated region like Flanders. He manages over 100 hectares of Natura 2000-designated landscape, including wetlands, moorland and grassland. On his farm he is continually looking for new ways to apply the principles of agro-ecology to the local environment in Europe. Kurt Sannen is involved in on-farm scientific research into High Nature Value farming in collaboration with universities and scientific institutes.

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Dr. Ursula Hudson, President, Slow Food Germany

Dr. Ursula Hudson, an independent author and academic, has lectured at the universities of Bayreuth, Cambridge and Oxford. She is a member of the Deutsche Akademie für Kulinaristik e.V. (German Academy for Culinarism). Since June 2012 she has been the President of Slow Food Deutschland e.V., as well as a member of the board of Slow Food International.

@Slowfood_de

Nikolai Pushkarev, European Public Health Alliance (EPHA)

Nikolai works to advance a healthy European food and agricultural system by promoting policies and activities for sustainable diets and healthy food and drink environments. He gained a Masters in European Law from Maastricht University and a Postgraduate degree in agricultural economics through the School of Oriental and African Studies in London. He previously worked as EU projects manager and technology platform coordinator in the energy sector. He also gained experience at the European Commission, with human rights, rural development, in the cultural and private sectors, in farming and through a personal initiative tracking agricultural policy in the European Parliament.

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Olivier De Schutter, IPES food

Olivier De Schutter is a professor at the University of Louvain (UCL). A specialist in economic and social rights and economic globalisation, he was the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the right to food between 2008 and 2014, and worked in all world regions during that period to promote agroecology and sustainable food systems. He is currently a member of the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the co-chair of the International Panel of Experts on Sustainable Food Systems (IPES-Food), colloquially referred to as the 'IPCC for Food'.

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@IPESfood

David Baldock, Institute for European Environmental Policy (IEEP)

David Baldock was the Executive Director of the Institute for European Environmental Policy until stepping back to be a Senior Fellow in 2016. He founded the Institute's Brussels office as well as the programme of work on agriculture, the CAP and the environment which has involved work in many parts of Europe as well as at the EU level. Amongst recent explorations of the CAP has been a contribution to the RISE Foundation report on the future of the policy.

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Faustine Bas-Defossez, European Environmental Bureau (EEB)

Faustine holds a masters degree in European Union law from the University of Lille, France and a masters degree in EU Politics from the Institute for Political Sciences in Strasbourg, France. Before joining the EEB she worked for the European Commission, in the Directorate General for Agriculture and Rural Development. She is a French native speaker who speaks English and some German.

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Ariel Brunner, BirdLife Europe

Based in Brussels, Ariel Brunner is Senior Head of EU Policy with the environmental NGO BirdLife Europe. He coordinates work on a wide range of EU policies ranging from nature and biodiversity conservation, to budget, energy, fisheries and agriculture. Over the last decade he has been deeply involved in debates on the reform of the Common Agriculture Policy and has been very active in debates over the sustainability of renewable energy and in particular of bioenergy. Born in Israel, he holds a M.Sc. in Environmental Sciences from Milan University.

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