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Meeting of: Monday 6 November 2017 15.00 - 19.00 Room: ASP 1G-3

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Highlights

Presentation by the Commission (DG AGRI) on topical WTO agriculture issues



DG AGRI Director John Clarke will be present to brief Members on agricultural issues related to the WTO ahead of the organisation's 11th Ministerial Conference to be held in December in Buenos Aires. The joint EU-Brazil proposal on domestic farm subsidies is expected to feature in the debate.

Work in progress

European Strategy for the promotion of Protein Crops



Jean-Paul Denanot (S&D, FR) will present to colleagues his draft report on protein crops, which focuses on encouraging the production of protein and leguminous plants in the EU. Protein crop cultivation contributes to diversification of production and the development of resilient agricultural systems.

Lagging regions in the EU



Lagging regions are those where growth and income levels are low and they are mainly rural regions. Viorica Dăncilă (S&D, RO) will present a draft opinion on this subject which takes the view that agriculture is part of the solution for enhancing growth, providing jobs and increasing income levels in lagging regions. REGI is the lead committee.

Financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union



The rapporteur for the agricultural part of the 'Omnibus' proposal, Albert Deß (EPP, DE), will update Members on the outcome of the trilogue negotiations with the Council and the Commission. At the fourth trilogue on the agricultural elements of this proposal held on 12 October, a political agreement was found.

Next committee meetings

9 November, 9.00 - 12.30

13 November, 19.00 - 22.30 (Strasbourg)

22 November, 9.00 - 12.30 and 15.00 - 18.30

23 November, 9.00 - 12.30

29 November, 19.00 - 21.30

4 December, 15.00 - 18.30

7 December, 14.00 - 17.30

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