

## Newsletter

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9.00 – 12.30

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Room: JAN 4Q1



## Highlights

### **Exchange of views with Mr Petre Daea, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, on the priorities of the Romanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union in the field of agriculture**



Mr Petre Daea Minister of Agriculture, and Rural Development of Romania, will present the priorities of the Romanian Presidency of the EU. These include the preparation of the CAP reform, the next Multiannual Financial Framework, possible solutions to reduce protein import dependence, and the role of research and innovation in the field of agriculture.

### **Exchange of views with Commissioner Phil Hogan, responsible for agriculture and rural development, on the new green architecture of the legislative proposals for the post-2020 CAP**



Commissioner Phil Hogan will present to Members his views on the green architecture as set out in the Commission's proposal for a Regulation on the CAP Strategic Plans. The structure as proposed raises many questions. How to combine eco-schemes and measures in the second Pillar? What exactly is compulsory? How to avoid double funding? The aim of this debate is to bring more clarity to the proposed system.

### **Exchange of views with a Commission representative (DG AGRI) on the agricultural component of ongoing trade negotiations and other relevant issues of trade policy**



Members will hold a discussion on recent developments in the field of international trade which are related to agriculture. To facilitate the debate Mr John Clarke, Director in charge of international affairs in DG AGRI of the Commission, will present to Members the state of play of ongoing trade negotiations and an overview of other relevant issues.

### **Exchange of views with a Commission representative (DG AGRI) on the situation of the citrus market**



Mr Joao Onofre, Head of Unit in DG AGRI of the Commission in charge of the fruit and vegetable markets, will give a presentation on the negative situation of the citrus market, notably in Southern Spain. According to reports, this crisis is due to a recent collapse of prices associated with competitive imports from third countries such as South Africa, Egypt, Turkey and Morocco, which occur during the local production season.

## Votes

### **Unfair trading practices in business-to-business relationships in the food supply chain**



AGRI Members will vote on the provisional agreement reached after six trilogues on the proposed Unfair Trading Practices Directive. The rapporteur is Paolo De Castro (S&D, IT). The Special Committee on Agriculture of the Council approved the agreed text at its meeting of 14 January and the usual formal letter was sent to the AGRI Chair. AGRI Members will vote with a single vote to approve or not the agreement. If approved, the agreed legislative text will be submitted for adoption in the March I Plenary.

### Implementation report as regards Regulation 1/2005 on the protection of animals during transport within and outside the EU



AGRI Members will vote on the draft implementation report by Jørn Dohrmann (ECR, DA) concerning Regulation 1/2005 on the protection of animals during transport within and outside the EU. The rapporteur has prepared 30 compromise amendments in order to facilitate the vote on the 431 amendments tabled by AGRI Members in addition to the opinions of ENVI, TRAN (associated committees) and PETI (giving a simple opinion). Plenary adoption is foreseen for the February part-session.

### Discharge 2017: General budget of the EU - European Commission



Members will vote on the AGRI opinion to the 2017 Commission discharge. The rapporteur, Ms Marijana Petir (EPP, HR) has presented her draft opinion in November. Members have submitted 19 amendments, and the rapporteur has suggested one compromise amendment.

## Next committee meeting

29 January 2019, 15.00 – 18.30 (Brussels)

7 February 2019, 9.00 - 12.30 (Brussels)

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