

Newsletter

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Committee meeting

Monday 25 January 2021, 16.45 – 18.45

Brussels, Room: Paul-Henri Spaak (3C050)

Tuesday 26 January 2021, 9.00 – 12.00

Brussels, Room: József Antall (4Q2)

In visioconference



Highlights

A Farm to Fork Strategy for a fair, healthy and environmentally friendly food system



The publication of the “Farm to Fork Strategy” by the European Commission in May 2020 has caused great impact in the interested public. This is notably based on the fact that, for the first time, the Commission actively addresses the whole European Food system in a holistic approach. This exchange of views, organised jointly with ENVI, serves to present the draft own-initiative report by Co-Rapporteurs, Herbert Dorfmann and Anja Hazekamp, and will subsequently allow for a substantial exchange in order to establish a robust position of the European Parliament on this Strategy.

Portuguese Presidency of the Council of the European Union



Portugal took over the reins of the rotating Presidency on 1 January 2021. The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Development, Ms Maria do Céu Antunes, will present the priorities of the Portuguese Presidency of the Council of the European Union in the field of agriculture.

Study on cumulative impact of trade agreements on EU agriculture



The Commissioner Janusz Wojciechowski, responsible for Agriculture and rural development will attend this meeting to provide the Members with an update of the study “Cumulative impact of trade agreements on EU agriculture” prepared by the Joint Research Centre (JRC) and published at the end of 2016. The JRC is the European Commission’s science and knowledge service. .

Vote

Cohesion Policy and regional environment strategies in the fight against climate change



The Rapporteur Francisco Guerreiro (PT, Greens) drafted the opinion to REGI committee focusing on the contribution of agriculture to the regional environmental strategies in mitigating results of climate change for the next years. The opinion mentions the relocation of food and feed production, reduction of food waste and identifies the research and training that have the role to play in the uptake of climate changes policies.

The Rapporteur negotiated seven compromise amendments covering the majority of 141 of tabled amendments.

Work in progress

CAP Strategic Plans: Ongoing trilogue negotiations



On the Strategic plan proposal, the three institutions met in trilogue format on 22 January 2021, hosted by the Parliament.

It was the first meeting under the Portuguese Presidency. The aim for the co-legislators was to have a first round of negotiations on the block called "New Delivery model" as regards the Strategic Plans.

Next committee meetings

1 February 2021, 16.30 – 19.00

4 February 2021, 13.45 – 15.45

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