



Brussels,
5-8 December 2023

On-site event with
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EU AGRI-FOOD DAYS

The 2023 EU Agricultural Outlook Conference 6 December 2023 > 14h00 - 17h30

14:00 - 14:30

SESSION 1

Opening speeches

Planting the seeds: Pioneering the agricultural future for Europe (video message)

Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission

Sowing the future: debating the future of agriculture

Janusz Wojciechowski, European Commissioner for Agriculture

14:30 - 16:00

SESSION 2

Charting the EU agriculture of 2040

A rich soil of ideas for the agriculture of the future

Young farmers statements:

Mathieu Courgeau, Dairy farmer, Via Campesina

Airi Külvet, Cattle breeder, Interest Group of Organic Farmers (IFOAM Organics Europe)

Rūdolfs Pulkstenis, Cereal farmer, Vice President at European Council of Young Farmers (CEJA)

Debate in break-out sessions on:

- Feeding tomorrow with **Roberto Flore**, *Head DTU Skylab FoodLab, Copenhagen*
- The farmers of 2040 with **Tessa Avermaete**, *Researcher, Catholic University of Leuven*
- Farming with nature in 2040 with **Fergal Monaghan**, *Programme Director, Hen Harrier Project, Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES)*

16:00 - 16:30

Coffee break

16:30 - 17:30

SESSION 3

Charting the EU agriculture of 2040 Wrap-up session

Exploring and debating promising ideas for the farmers and agriculture of the future
Presentation of the outcome of the 3 break-out sessions

Panel discussion

Ramón Armengol, *President, General Confederation of Agricultural Cooperatives (COGECA)*

Isabelle Buscke, *Head of the EU liaison office, Federation of German Consumer Organisations*

Catherine Geslain-Lanéelle, *Strategy and Policy Analysis Director, Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission*

Peter Meedendorp, *Arable farmer, President at European Council of Young Farmers (CEJA)*

Célia Nyssens-James, *Policy Manager for Agriculture and Food Systems, European Environmental Bureau*

Will Surman, *Deputy Director-General and Director, Strategic Communications, Public Affairs and ESG at FoodDrinkEurope*

17:30 - 18:30

Cocktail reception

The 2023 EU Agricultural Outlook Conference 7 December 2023 > 9h30 - 16h45

9:30 - 9:40

SESSION 4

Wrap-up of day 1

Aminda Leigh, *Master of Ceremony*

9:40 - 11:00

SESSION 5

The transition to the agriculture of tomorrow

Supporting farmers facing trade-offs to achieve sustainability

Gijs Schilthuis, *Head of Unit for Policy Perspectives, Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission*

The role of the Regions (video message)

Vasco Cordeiro, *President of the Committee of the Regions*

Best practices from the CAP Strategic Plans

Miriam Augdoppler, *Expert on Agri-Environment, Federal Ministry for Agriculture, Forestry, Regions and Water Management, Austria*

Ilona Kromāne, *Deputy Director of department and CAP Strategic Plan coordinator, Ministry of Agriculture, Latvia*

Elodie Lematte, *Deputy Director Agri-food sectors, Ministry of Agriculture and Food Sovereignty, France*

11:00 - 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 - 12:30

SESSION 6

The Agricultural Medium-term Outlook

Where we are, where we are heading to

Presentation of the 2023 Medium-Term Outlook report

Andrea Porcella Čapkovičová, *Outlook coordinator, Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission*

Panel discussion

Kerli Ats, *Beef farmer and Board member, Estonian Farmers' Confederation*

Simona Caselli, *President, Assembly of European Horticultural Regions (AREFLH)*

George Morrison, *Director of Global Public Affairs, ARLA*

Andrea Porcella Čapkovičová, *Outlook coordinator, Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission*

Alexandru-Valentin Tachianu, *Crop farmer, Vice-president AFR-Pro Agro, Romania*

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 - 16:30

SESSION 7

Ensuring food security - how will farmers live up to the challenge?

Navigating between climate risks, input dependency, strategic autonomy and international markets

Lorenzo Giovanni Bellù, *Team Leader, Senior Economist, FAO Global Perspectives Studies Team, Food Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations*

Panel discussion 1

Ignacio Atance Muñiz, *Deputy Director General for Agricultural Policy Planning at the Secretary General for Agriculture and Food, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Spain*

Saskia Visser, *Land use, agri-food and sustainable bio-economy Orchestrator, EIT Climate-KIC*

Alessandra Zampieri, *Director, Sustainable Resources Joint Research Centre (JRC), European Commission*

Coffee break

Farmer, a job with a promising future: challenges and opportunities

Panel discussion 2

Per Frankelius, *Associate Professor, Linköping University, Sweden*

Louise McHugh, *Professor University College Dublin, Member of Agri Mental Health Research Group*

Claudia Merlino, *Vice President, Employers' Group of Professional Agricultural Organisations in the EU, GEOPA-COPA*

Valters Zelčs, *Young crop farmer, Latvia*

Video messages from:

Gabriele Corsi, *Italian TV presenter of "Il contadino cerca moglie"*

Karine Le Marchand, *French TV presenter of "L'Amour est dans le pré"*

Vappu Pimiä, *Finnish TV presenter of "Maajussille morsian"*

16:30 - 16:45

SESSION 8

Concluding remarks

Wolfgang Burtscher, *Director-General, Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission*

During
the
conference

POSTER EXHIBITION

The future of Agriculture

Students' vision