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For the attention of the Secretary General of:

Beelife, Birdlife, Ceja, CELCAA, CEPM, COGECA, COPA, EBB, ECVC, EEB, EFFAT, ELO, EURAF, EuropaBio, Fertilizers Europe, FoodDrinkEurope, IFOAM, Pan Europe, SACAR

AGENDA
« CDG ARABLE CROPS – COP & SEEDS »

Brussels, rue de la Loi 130
11th floor - Meeting room: A
on Friday 1st March 2019, from 09:30 to 18:00

Morning session COP

1. Approval of the draft agenda
2. Presentation of DG AGRI study on "Market developments and policy evaluation aspects of plant protein sector in the EU"
3. Market situation – Exchange of view on the market situation for cereals, oilseeds and protein crops
4. Presentation of the Commission Communication "Towards a stronger international role of the euro"
5. Brexit preparedness
6. Study on The Civil Dialogue Groups for the Common Agricultural Policy – Analysis of EU Policy Consultation
7. Contaminants: Possible maximum residue levels for ergot and ergot alkaloids
8. A.O.B.

Afternoon session SEEDS

1. Approval of the draft agenda
2. Market situation – Temporary derogation in seeds laws
3. Organic farming regulation: heterogeneous materials and organic seeds temporary experimentation, questions on the implementation and calendar

4. Invalidation of the rule 28(2) of Guidelines for Examination in the European Patent Office
5. The European Court of Justice ruling on mutagenesis – information by the stakeholders
6. Study on The Civil Dialogue Groups for the Common Agricultural Policy – Analysis of EU Policy Consultation (tbc)
7. A.O.B.

E-signed
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