




Presentation of members appointed for this CDG



2 Questions

- Your areas of expertise and what you can bring to the group / would like to share with the group
 - 3 main expectations from the work of the CDG
- + illustrative picture of your link with environmental and climate aspects in agriculture / rural areas / forests
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- AEEU - Agroecology Europe
 - AREFLH - Assemblée des Régions Européennes Fruitières Légumières et Horticoles
 - AnimalhealthEurope
 - Bee Life - European Beekeeping Organisation
 - BirdLife Europe
 - CEETTAR - Confédération Européenne des Entrepreneurs de Travaux Techniques Agricoles



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CDG Environment & Climate

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European Council of Chemical Industries (Cefic) > Specialty Chemicals > Biomass-derived chemicals sector group (BioChem Europe)

Our expertise:

- Biomass (agri, forest, aqua, waste) valorisation
- Circular bioeconomy
- Biogenic **carbon** valorisation (Sustainable carbon cycles)
- Role of bioeconomy (biomass-derived chemicals) to the Green Deal objectives

Our main expectations:

- Sustainable biomass availability
- Discuss policy coherence (e.g. biodiversity vs. availability, RED Annex IX vs. material use of biomass, etc.)
- Fair competition between "competing" uses of biomass



CEJA - Conseil Européen des Jeunes Agriculteurs

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Coldiretti
- Carla Di Michele

[Your areas of expertise and what you can bring to the group / would like to share with the group

I am specialized in Agricultural Science and Technology cv. plant medicine. I would like to share and report with the working group about practical problems of entrepreneurs in the field and try to give inspiration for operational tools to serve the companies.

• 3 main expectations from the work of the CDG

- convey supportive policies and guides that are ever green but protect agricultural activity and are not overly stringent on the world of agriculture
- working as a link and junction between policy and the agricultural sector
- work towards climate change issues regarding the role of agriculture as the KEEPERS of a territory. With special regards about agronomic techniques, animal husbandry, beekeeping and the preservation of pollinators and biodiversity



These photo shows the landscape from my farm. Here we are in Abruzzo, my region center Italy. Here nature and agricultural coexist. We live in harmony with the cycle of nature. The role of the farmers is fundamental to guarantee common resources, protection and care of the environment.

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Confederation of European Forest Owners

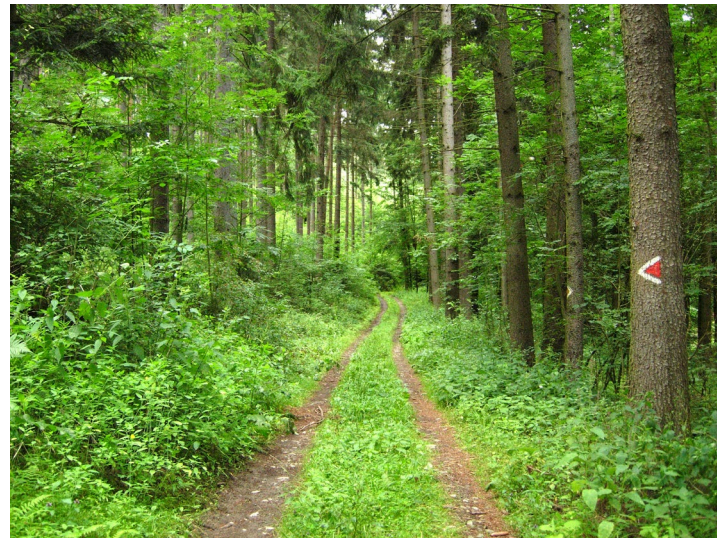
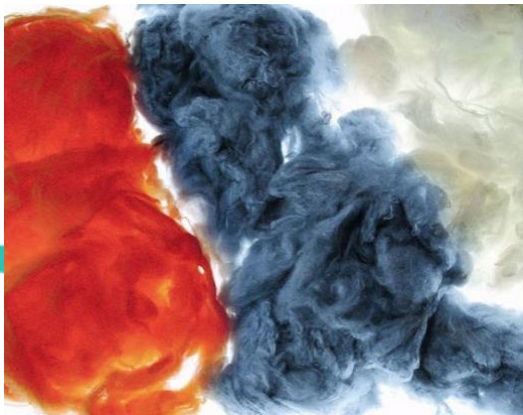
CEPF areas of expertise / We like to bring to the group:

- MS overview on forest specific CAP funding measures
- Info on benefits of Sustainable Forest Management for Climate and Environment

3 main expectations from the work of the CDG

- Timely updates for stakeholders on relevant policy developments
- Opportunity to exchange with stakeholders and institutions
- Equal inclusion of all stakeholders' views

Illustrative image of our link with environmental and climate aspects **in forests**



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- CELCAA - European Liaison Committee for the Agricultural and AGRI-Food Trade
 - CEPM - European Confederation of Maize Producers
 - COGECA - European agri-cooperatives / General Confederation of Agricultural Co-operatives of the European Union
 - COPA - European farmers / Committee of Professional Agricultural Organisations of the European Union
 - EAPF - European Alliance for Plant-based Foods
 - ECVC - European Coordination Via Campesina
 -  EEB - European Environmental Bureau
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Eurogroup for Animals

Areas of expertise and what we can bring to the group:

- **The connection between environment, climate change, food system sustainability and animal welfare**
- **Knowledge about animal sectors, including cell-based meat and insects**

3 main expectations on the work of the CDG:

1. **Animal welfare as an important part of the CAP**
2. **System thinking - what is needed for a sustainable food system?**
1. **Connections between the CAP and the Framework for a Sustainable EU Food System**

THE LINKS BETWEEN ANIMAL WELFARE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

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NO POVERTY



- Negative impact of industrial farming on wages and working conditions
- Improved welfare can lead to higher productivity in livestock farming
- Positive economic impact of working animals (e.g. horses, donkeys, mules, oxen and buffaloes)

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NO HUNGER



- Feed-food competition
- Improved animal welfare is linked to improved food quality
- Role of working animals in access to quality food

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GOOD HEALTH AND WELLBEING



- Poor animal welfare conditions are linked to:
- Overuse of antibiotics and antimicrobial resistance
- Spread of zoonoses
- More food-borne diseases
- Poor human health is linked to overly animal-based diets
- Positive impact of owning a pet on mental health

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QUALITY EDUCATION



- Learning about animals can increase empathy and reduce interpersonal violence
- Role of working equids in accessing education

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GENDER EQUALITY



- Learning about animals can increase empathy and reduce interpersonal violence
- Role of working equids in accessing education

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CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



- Industrial farming pollutes surface and ground water (e.g. nitrates)

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DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



- High proportion of work-related injuries in livestock sector
- Higher benefits of wildlife-based tourism, rather than trafficking
- Impact on mental health of witnessing poor animal welfare conditions



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RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



- Improved animal welfare can reduce food losses along the production chain
- Consuming less meat and dairy products can help reduce:
 - Heart disease
 - Antimicrobial resistance
 - Water pollution
 - Agricultural emissions

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CLIMATE ACTION



- A shift towards more plant-based diets, and less farmed animals, is highlighted by most international organisations
- Animals can capture carbon

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LIFE BELOW WATER



- Improved fish welfare can help reduce the use of antimicrobials
- Negative impact of relying on wild fisheries to produce fish meal

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LIFE ON LAND



- Link between intensive livestock farming and deforestation
- Positive impact of higher welfare farming methods (i.e. agroecology, pastoralism) on biodiversity

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- EFFAT - European Federation of Trade Unions in the Food, Agriculture and Tourism sectors
 - EFNCP - European Forum on Nature Conservation and Pastoralism
 - EFOW - European Federation of Origin Wines
 - ELARD - European Leader Association for Rural Development
 - ELO - European Landowner's Organisation
 - EMB - European Milk Board
 - ERCA - European Rural Community Alliance
 - ERPA - European Rural Poultry Association

[European Agroforestry Federation]

[Your areas of expertise and what you can bring to the group / would like to share with the group

=> expertise of a wide network of national associations working on research, farming and the four pillars of environmental sustainability;

=> involvement in four EU Horizon Europe projects on agriculture, agroforestry and forestry (activities closely connected to environmental or climate change matters), with activities ranging from policy analysis to communication and dissemination;

=> EURAF is eager to share knowledge and testimonies from our delegates active in all biogeographic regions of the EU.

• **3 main expectations from the work of the CDG**

EURAF expects that (the work of) this CDG:

- Ensures that data (monitored using IACS/LPIS) on environmental metrics (e.g. CAP landscape features) is available.
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- Prioritises discussions on LULUCF/AFOLU targets in CAP Strategic Plans and clarify the timeline for their inclusion in SPs.
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- Collaborates closely with the Forest and Forestry Stakeholder Platform on 'trees outside the forest', new Framework on Forest Monitoring and Strategic Planning, GreenData4All, etc
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Credits: AGForward project -
Silvopastoral Montado with cattle

EUROMONTANA

[Your areas of expertise and what you can bring to the group / would like to share with the group]

Contribution of ANC payments to environmental and climate protection

Contribution of extensive livestock farming to climate objectives, in particular pastoralism




State of play and impacts of climate change in European mountains

Adaptation and mitigation practices in mountain farming

• 3 main expectations from the work of the CDG

- Getting an overview of proposed green payments, including eco-schemes
- Obtain a clear view of the coherence between the CAP and other EU environmental and climate policies, as well as a clear view of the link between the new CAP and the latest international reports on climate change



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- EUSTAFOR
 - EuroCommerce
 - FEFAC - European Feed Manufacturers Federation / Fédération européenne des fabricants d'aliments composés
 - FEFANA - EU association of Speciality Feed Ingredients and their mixtures
 - FESASS - Fédération Européenne pour la Santé Animale et la Sécurité Sanitaire
 - Fertilizers Europe
 - FoEE - Friends of the Earth
 - FoodDrinkEurope
 - Freshfel Europe
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- Greenpeace European Union
 - IBMA - International Biocontrol Manufacturers Association
 - IFOAM - International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements European Regional Group
 - ORIGINEU - Organisation pour un réseau international d'indications géographiques
 - PFP - Primary Food Processors
 - WWF - World Wide Fund for Nature
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Slow Food

Slow Food is a global movement acting together to ensure good, clean and fair food for all.

At EU level, we liaise with the European institutions and collaborate with partner organizations to promote our common vision, influence food policies in the European Union, seeking to change the current food and farming systems. We translate the grassroots experience of our network into policy recommendations and bring to the European level issues that are dealt with at national level.

• 3 main expectations from the work of the CDG

- Hearing concrete ways in which the European Union can support farmers to transition towards agroecology, for example by reducing the use of pesticides, as well as positive examples of farmers who have done so and how.
- Having a good discussion on the green elements of the CAP. Firstly, on how to ensure that they are well implemented in the National Strategic Plans, as a key step towards a real agroecological transition of our food systems not relying on silver bullet solutions. Secondly, on the negative consequences of the greening derogations for 2022 on biodiversity, soil health and, consequently, on our long-term food security.
- Being updated on the development of the Sustainable Food Systems Law and the coherence with DG AGRI-related policies, as well ensuring continued exchanges and updates from the relevant colleagues from other DGs, especially ENVI, CLIMA and SANTE.

Union of forest owners of Southern Europe (USSE)

Your areas of expertise and what you can bring to the group / would like to share with the group

Our expertise stems from or comes from a deep understanding and knowledge of the actual experiences and reality facing the forests of Southern Europe. Representing members from Portugal, Southern France and Spain, we would like to constructively contribute to this group by bringing this knowledge and expertise of this very unique region to these discussions and thus ensure its valuable contribution in the shaping of future policies to guarantee their successful implementation.

• 3 main expectations from the work of the CDG

- Dialogue implies a two way street: we expect to be informed of any new policy developments on environment affecting our members and in turn to contribute with our experience to inform discussion on the relevant topics that will be dealt with the group.
- The CDG should be a space where participants/experts can effectively advise, contribute and inform discussion on, all of, environmental and climate policies that in our case indirectly affect forests and forestry
- We expect to be able to reach compromises and consensus between participants on the relevant topics, and in turn to inform future EU policy in this area