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*Message à l'attention du Secrétaire Général du/For the attention of the Secretary General of  
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EuropaBio, Fertilizers Europe, FoodDrinkEurope, IFOAM, Pan Europe, SACAR*

According to the Decision 2013/767/EU of 16 December 2013, I wish to inform you of the next meeting of the Civil Dialogue Group on

**JOINT MEETING OF THE SUGAR EXPERT GROUP AND THE CDG "ARABLE CROPS" ON "THE  
FUTURE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION SUGAR MARKET"**

**On Tuesday 11 October 2016, from 9h30 to 18h00,**

**in 1040 Bruxelles, Rue Van Maerlant 2, room 2**

with the following agenda :

**Co-Chairs:** Mr Schaps (Director C) and President CDG "Arable Crops", Mr Johann Marihart

***Morning session 10:00 – 13:00***

- 09:30 *Coffee*
- 10:00** **Opening address DG AGRI**  
*Mr Plewa, DG Agri*
- 10:15** **Situation on the World Market**  
*Mr Orive, International Sugar Organisation*
- 11:00** **EP position on the EU Sugar Market Post Quota**  
*Representative of the European Parliament*
- 11:45** **Member States' Perspective on the future EU Sugar Market**  
*Representative of the Slovak Presidency*
- 12:30** **Post-quota Regulatory Changes and Market Monitoring**  
*Representative of the European Commission*
- 13:00 *Lunch break*

*Afternoon session 14:30 – 17:30*

**14:30 Expectations from Stakeholders and Industry – Panel Discussion**

*Facilitated by the Commission Mr Waite*

*Panel 1*

**14:30 Long-term trends of the EU sugar sector and domestic market outlook**

*Panellists (to be confirmed):*

***CIBE** : improving productivity at the farm level*

***CEFS**: how can the European sugar sector further enhance its competitiveness*

***Sugar Users**: supply prospects for sugar users in the post-quota period*

***Starch Europe**: what prospects for isoglucose in the post-quota period*

*Panel 2*

**15:45 The international sugar market and EU trade, social and environmental policy**

*Panellists (to be confirmed):*

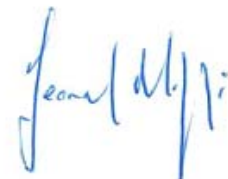
***ASSUC**: the relationship between the world market price and the EU sugar price – now and in the future*

***ESRA**: the impact of EU trade policy on the EU cane sugar refining sector*

***EFFAT**: the importance of upholding labour rights and environmental standards in the context of trade negotiations*

**17:00 Conclusions and Closure**

*Mr Korte, DG Agri*



Leonard MIZZI  
Chef d'Unité/Head of Unit

Copies: MM Schilthuis, Haeusler; Willems, Mizzi, Van Driel, Romano, Mmes Gerstgrasser, Boger, Buttini, Robert, SCIC agenda

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***Les billets d'avion devraient être réservés en classe «Economy», sur base du prix le plus avantageux à la réception de l'invitation et qui permette de participer à la réunion et de voyager durant la semaine de travail.***

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