



CONFERENCE DRAFT PROGRAMME

THE CAP POST-2013

SUMMING-UP CONFERENCE ON THE PUBLIC DEBATE

Brussels, 19-20 July 2010
Charlemagne Building, rue de la Loi 170

*Dacian Cioloş, Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development,
will chair the plenary sessions*

Day 1 – 19 July 2010

OPENING

Plenary session

9.00 – 9.10 Shaping the future of agriculture: listening to Europe's citizens

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Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development*

9.10 – 9.30 Interventions by representatives of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers of the European Union and the European Parliament

DEBATING AGRICULTURE AND THE CAP

Plenary session

LISTENING TO EUROPE'S CITIZENS: CONSENSUS AND DISAGREEMENT

BACKGROUND

9.30 – 9.40 What polls and surveys tell us

A presentation of Europeans' perceptions of agriculture and the CAP as brought to light by the Eurobarometer surveys and public opinion surveys given by

9.40 – 10.00 What the debates tell us

Presentation of the initial conclusions arising from the public debate and the contributions received in response to the call for proposals given by

DEBATE

10.30 – 13.00 A dialogue with civil society

A panel of experts and representatives of think tanks, rural development associations and NGOs responds to the ideas raised in the public debate. Dialogue will be opened to the floor

CHALLENGES FOR 2020 AND BEYOND

In-depth discussion session in parallel workshops

14.30 – 17.30 Food security

Climate change, rising demand, market and price volatility, globalisation and competitiveness, slowing growth and productivity, economic difficulties of agricultural undertakings, concentration and negotiating power in the agri-food chain, etc.

14.30 – 17.30 Future of rural society

Diversity of agriculture and rural areas in Europe, position of agriculture in economic activity and regional development, pressure on the territorial balance and trend towards desertification in certain regions, etc.

14.30 – 17.30 Environment and provision of public goods by agriculture

Pressure on natural resources and biodiversity, upkeep of land and stewardship of the countryside, agrarian systems of significance for the environment and the provision of public goods by agriculture, contribution to limiting climate change, etc.

14.30 – 17.30 Quality, diversity, health

Nutritional quality, diversity and hygienic quality of food, animal welfare, new features of demand, accessibility and adequacy of supply, distance between producers and consumers, supply and marketing methods, etc.

17.30

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL THE NEXT DAY

19.00

EVENT – PLACE ST CATHERINE

Day 2- 20 July 2010

CONFERENCE RESUMES

Plenary session

POOLING FEEDBACK I

9.00 – 9.45 Analysis and indications

Presentation of the points of convergence and divergence on the challenges, stakes and objectives for the post 2013 period that arose from debates in the workshops by

9.45 – 11.00 Defining differences in viewpoints

A panel of stakeholders in the agri-food chain responds to the ideas arising from the debates in the workshops. The debate will then be opened to the floor. The key witnesses will help to clarify the points of disagreement.

PROPOSALS AND WAYS FORWARD

Sessions in parallel workshops

THE FUTURE ROLE OF THE CAP IN

11.30 – 13.00 Maintaining food production capacity in the EU

Competitiveness, competition, innovation and market orientation, adaptation to climate change, stability of markets and incomes, insurance against risks, allocating added value and relations within the agri-food chain, offsetting handicaps, rebalancing and targeting support, etc.

11.30 – 13.00 Maintaining the vitality and making the most of the diversity of rural society

Innovation, green growth and the rural economy, modernising and restructuring undertakings, supporting employment, making the most of the diversity of agricultural output and territories, short production chains and local markets, etc.

11.30 – 13.00 Preserving the environment and ensuring sufficient provision of public goods by agriculture

Preserving natural resources, lowering greenhouse gas emissions and energy intensity, maintaining agrarian systems that encourage biodiversity, preserving the diversity of landscapes, etc.

11.30 – 13.00 Promoting the quality and diversity of food supply

Differentiation in the market, promotion, new forms of marketing, local and central food strategies, public tenders for institutional catering, etc.

CONCLUSIONS AND CLOSING

Plenary session

POOLING FEEDBACK II

14.30 – 15.15 The proposals from the workshops

Presentation by four Rapporteurs

15.15 – 15.35 The institutional standpoint

Representatives from the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions present their views on the challenges and the ways forward beyond 2013

DEBATE

16.05 – 17.30 General discussion and closing address

Towards a post-2013 CAP: challenges, stages and ways forward for the future

*Dacian Cioloş,
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