

**'The Farm to Fork and Biodiversity
Strategies:
is organic farming one of the responses?**

Event Hosted by:

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MEP Petros KOKKALIS
MEP Norbert LINS
MEP Simone SCHMIEDTBAUER
MEP Christine SCHNEIDER
MEP Irene TOLLERET

Moderator: Prof Piet van der Meer (VUB)

10:30 - 10:40

Opening remarks: MEPs Ms. Simone Schmiedtbauer and Ms. Christine Schneider

Diego Canga Fano

Principal Adviser – DG Agri

“Organic Action Plan explained: situation and next step”

Comments from **MEP Ms. Irene Tolleret**

Q&A

Uroš Brežan (Greens/Slovenia)

Rapporteur on the "Action Plan for the development of EU organic production"

European Committee of the Regions

Q&A

Vladislav Popov

Professor at the Agricultural University in Plovdiv, Bulgaria

“The role of Science and Technology in strengthening organic farming”

Q&A

PANEL 1 - The Farm to Fork and Biodiversity Strategies: the perspectives from the primary sector.

- **Lone Andersen**
Vice President Danish Agriculture & Food Council and Chair WG Organic Farming at Copa Cogeca
- **Adolf Marksteiner**
Head of the Market Policy Department at the Austrian Chamber of Agriculture
- **Samuel Masse**
President of CEJA (European Council of Young Farmers)
- **Jan Plagge**
President IFOAM Organics Europe (The International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements)

Comments from **MEPs Mr. Norbert Lins and Mr. Petros Kokkalis**

Q&A

PANEL 2 - The Farm to Fork and Biodiversity Strategies: the perspectives from industry and retail.

- **Julia Riss**
Head of Brussels Office - Rewe Group
 - **Dave Fitzgerald**
Head of Responsible Sourcing at Kellogg Europe.
“Enhancing biodiversity to build resilient food systems and economies”.
- Q&A

12:50 – 13:00

Conclusions by **MEPs Mr. Petros Kokkalis, Ms. Christine Schneider and Ms. Irene Tolleret**