Digitising agriculture and food value chains
Research and innovation delivering on EU policy objectives

Friday 17 November – Charlemagne building

FINAL AGENDA

8:00 - Welcome coffee and registration
The conference will be moderated by Katrina Sichel – Wit and Word communications.

High-level opening
8:45 - Welcome by moderator

9:00 – Digital technologies’ potential for addressing future challenges in food and farming
Phil Hogan – European Commissioner for agriculture and rural development

9:15 – How could national digitisation strategies benefit food and farming: the Estonian case*
Toomas Kevvali, Deputy Secretary General for Food Safety, Research and Development, Ministry of rural affairs of the Republic of Estonia

From policy to practice: how can various approaches deliver concrete outcomes for the food and farming sector, and for citizens?

09:30 – Plenary (DE GASPERI) – Digital revolution, agriculture, food and R&I: what’s going on?
• The digital single market: the overall policy framework, including Digitising European Industries and the data economy – Pearse O’Donohue, Director of the Future Networks team at European Commission’s DG Communications Networks, Content & Technology
• Digitising agriculture: what are the trends in precision farming and overview of R&I activities - Niels Gøtke – Coordinator of ICT-AGRI 2 ERANET (Danemark)
• EIT Food: towards a more people-centric and resource smart food system – Klaus Beetz, Vice-President of External cooperation at SIEMENS, EIT FOOD (Germany)

Exchange with the audience on presentations

10:40 – Networking coffee in the exhibition area

11:00 – 12h00: Parallel sessions

Parallel session 1: Digital innovation hubs and platforms: what potential for farming, value chains and society? (DE GASPERI)
Moderator: Katrina Sichel
• Digital innovation hubs: outcomes of the EIP Seminar in Kilkenny and opportunities under Horizon 2020 WP 2018-2020 – Ana Cuadrado Galvan, European Commission DG Agriculture and rural development
• The alliance on internet of things (AIOTI): the potential of digital platforms in agriculture – Marcos Álvarez, AIOTI Sub-group on agriculture (Spain)
• IOF2020: a large-scale pilot on Internet of things for food and farming (H2020 SC2) – George Beers, WUR, Coordinator of IoF2020 (The Netherlands)
• Flanders Food: realising the potential of digitisation for food production, distribution and nutrition – Inge Arents, Managing Director Flanders Food (Belgium)

Exchange with the audience on presentations.
Parallel session 2 - Improving data management from farm to fork (MANSHEOLT)

Moderator: Celina Ramjoué (European Commission DG Communications Networks, Content & Technology)

- Data sharing: outcomes of the EIP workshop in Bratislava and policy follow-up – Louis Mahy, European Commission DG Agriculture and Rural development & Celina Ramjoué European Commission DG Communications Networks, Content & Technology
- European Open Science Cloud: sharing and reusing research data in agriculture, food and nutrition – Wim Haentjens, European Commission DG Research and innovation
- Agriculture in Big data Europe - Nikos Manouselis, coordinator, Agroknow (Greece)
- Big Expectations from Big Data: Reflections from interacting with stakeholders - Grigoris Chatzikostas, coordinator, BioSense Institute (Serbia)

Exchange with the audience on presentations.

12:00-13:00 - Plenary session – Stakeholders panel: what are the opportunities and challenges brought by digitisation? (DE GASPERI)

Moderator: Katrina Sichel

A panel will be invited to comment on the opportunities related to farm and food digitisation and on obstacles faced on the ground when it comes to implementing them:

- Tina Dahl, livestock farmer (Sweden)
- Riinu Lepa, Tagurpidi Lavka & Estonian Social Enterprise Network - digital supply chain management & social entrepreneur (Estonia)
- Pal Goda, Discovery R&D Center - Innovation support (Hungary)
- Elli Tsiforou, Gaia Epicheirein - ICT in agriculture (Greece)

13:00 – Lunch in the exhibition area

14:00-15:30 - Parallel sessions – Showcasing promising solutions to address challenges

These sessions will showcase successful projects covering a range of promising technologies or approaches and allow participants to take stock on latest developments and highlight the most promising future investment areas.

Parallel session 1: Digital solutions to meet future agriculture challenges (DE GASPERI)

Moderator: Katrina Sichel

- RECAP - "Personalised public services in support of the implementation of the CAP" – Machi Simeonidou - Project Coordinator, Draxis Environmental (Greece)
- DataBIO - "Data-Driven Bioeconomy" – Athanasios Poulakidas – Project Coordinator, Intrasoft-intl (Belgium)
- EU-PLF - "Bright Farm by Precision Livestock Farming" - Vasileios Exadaktylos, BioRICS, (Belgium)
- SWEEPER - "Sweet Pepper Harvesting Robot" - Jos Balendonck – Project Coordinator, WUR (The Netherlands)

Parallel session 2: Digitising food research, processing and consumption (MANSHEOLT)

Moderator: Barend Verachtert, European Commission, DG Research and innovation

- E-ROSA – "Towards an e-infrastructure roadmap for open science in agriculture" - Odile Hologne – INRA (France)
- RICHFIELDS – "Research Infrastructure on Consumer Health and Food Intake using E-science with Linked Data Sharing" – Monique Raats, University of Surrey (United Kingdom)
- Picknpack – "Flexible robotic systems for automated adaptive packaging of fresh and processed food products" - Erik Pekkeriet, WUR (The Netherlands)
- PeptiEUForce – "Using artificial intelligence and DNA analysis to find new disease-beating molecules in natural foodstuffs" - Emmet Browne, CEO of NURITAS (Ireland)
Parallel session 3: Marine data and digitisation (JENKINS)

Moderator: Aminda Leigh

- **BlueBRIDGE** - Building Research environments for fostering Innovation, Decision making, Governance and Education to support Blue Growth - Donatella Castelli, Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (Italy)
- **LakhsMI** - Sensors for LArge scale HydrodynaMic Imaging of ocean floor - Maarja Kruusmaa, Tallinna tehnikaulikool (Estonia)
- **EfficienSea** - Efficient, Safe and Sustainable Traffic at Sea - Christopher Saarnak, Danish Maritime Authority (Danemark)
- **CEASELESS** - Copernicus Evolution and Applications with Sentinel Enhancements and Land Effluents for Shores and Seas - Agustin Sanchez Arcilla, Universitat Politecnica de Catalunya (Spain)

This session is common with the event on "Blue Growth and research and innovation". Presentation of the projects will be followed by a discussion on their uptake by a panel of users.

15:30-16:00 - Coffee break

**Reporting & closing session (DE GASPERI)**

Moderator: Katrina Sichel

16:00-16:30 – Flash report of the parallel sessions: highlights on the main innovations presented and their promising character for the future, discussion with audience and take-home messages.

16:30 – 16h45– Concluding remarks – Nathalie SAUZE-VANDEVYVER – Director for quality, research and innovation and outreach at European Commission, DG Agriculture and rural development.