

CAP - Out of the box thinking

The RISE Foundation will address the imperative for CAP to evolve and will argue why real reform is needed, and just how this should be done.

Lunch debate chaired by
MEP Karl-Heinz FLORENZ
on 10 January 2017

Opening address by
Janez POTOČNIK
Chair of the RISE Foundation

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1. **Welcome and Introduction** by MEP & President of the Intergroup
“Biodiversity, Hunting and Countryside, **Karl-Heinz FLORENZ**
2. **Opening by Janez POTOČNIK**, Chair of the RISE Foundation and the
Forum for the Future of Agriculture
3. **Panel discussion**
 - **Prof. Em. Alan MATTHEWS** - *The argument for the further evolution of the CAP*
 - **Dr. David BALDOCK** - *What reforms are needed for environmental land management?*
 - **Prof. Erik MATHIJS** - *What approach for risk management?*
 - **Prof. Em. Allan BUCKWELL** - *How to bring about reform?*
4. **Respondents**

1st respondent: Mairead MCGUINNESS, MEP
2nd respondent: Marco CONTIERO, EU Policy Director on Agriculture, Greenpeace
5. **Discussion**
6. **Conclusion by MEP Karl-Heinz FLORENZ**

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Chair



Karl-Heinz FLORENZ is MEP and the President of the Intergroup Biodiversity, Hunting, and Countryside. He is an economist and agricultural master. He has been a Member of the European Parliament since 1989. He is a Member of the Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety and was Chairman of this Committee from 2004 to 2007. He is also a substitute member of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs and was a rapporteur and a member of the former Temporary Committee on Climate Change.

Keynote speaker



Janez POTOČNIK graduated from the Faculty of Economics at the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia (Ph.D. degree 1993). After a successful career starting in 1989 in Slovenia as a researcher at the Institute of Economic Research, Director of the Institute of Macroeconomic Analysis and Development (1994), he was appointed Head of the Negotiating Team for the Accession of the Republic of Slovenia to the EU (1998). He was also Director of Government Office for European Affairs (2000), Minister Counsellor at the Office of the Prime Minister (2001) and Minister responsible for European Affairs (2002). In 2004 he joined the European Commission, first as Shadow Commissioner for the Enlargement and then as Commissioner responsible for Science and Research. From 2010 until November 2014, he was Commissioner for Environment. He is now Co-Chair of the International Resource Panel at the UNEP and the Chair of the Forum for the Future of Agriculture as well as of the RISE Foundation.

Biography of the Panellists



Em. Prof. Allan Buckwell is the Director of the RISE study on CAP: out of the box thinking as well as two of RISE's previous studies on Nutrient Recycling and Reuse in European Agriculture and the Sustainable Intensification of European Agriculture. Two thirds of his career has been as an academic agricultural economist specialising in agricultural and rural policy.

This has involved his work as a Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for European Environmental Policy (since 2012), 14 years at Newcastle University and then from '84-'99 as Professor of Agricultural Economics, Wye College University of London. In this period he specialised on teaching and research of all aspects of EU rural policy dealing especially with the Common Agricultural Policy, trade issues, technology and structural change in farming and its impacts. During '95-'96 he was seconded to the analysis and conception unit of DG Agri in the Commission where he chaired a policy integration group which laid out a model for the evolution of the CAP. He also worked as Policy Director for the Country Land and Business Association (CLA) in 2000. His key specialist subjects are CAP, Agriculture and environmental land management.



Dr. David BALDOCK's background is in philosophy and economics. He is an active fellow of the Institute for European Environmental Policy and joined the Institute in the mid-1980s to establish a programme of work on agricultural and rural environmental issues. He became Deputy Director in 1992, Director in 1998 and an active Senior Fellow in 2016. As well as being an authority on European agricultural policy and the environment, David's specialist areas include EU strategies for climate, natural resources and public investment. He has an active interest in sustainable development and the growing implications of building a bio-economy.



EM. Prof. Alan MATTHEWS is Professor Emeritus of European Agricultural Policy at Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland. He is a past-President of the European Association of Agricultural Economists and is currently a member of Ireland's Climate Change Advisory Council. His research interests include agricultural policy analysis, the impact of agricultural policies on developing countries, trade, WTO and food security issues. He is a regular contributor to the blog capreform.eu on issues relating to the EU's Common Agricultural Policy.



Prof. Erik MATHIJS is Director of the Sustainable Food Economies Research Group (SFERE) and Professor of Agricultural and Resource Economics at KU Leuven. He holds a Master's degree in Bioscience Engineering from KU Leuven (1991) and a PhD in Agricultural Economics, also from KU Leuven (1998). His research focuses on the transformation of the agricultural and food system towards sustainability and resilience. He is coordinator of the FP7 project TRANSMANGO and the Horizon2020 project SUFISA — which both aim to formulate policy recommendations fostering the transformation of the European agricultural and food system. He was an independent member of the High Level Steering Board of the European Innovation Partnership "Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability", and acted respectively as rapporteur and chair of the expert group of the 3rd (2011) and 4th (2015) Foresight Exercise for the EU's Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR).

Biography of the Respondents



Mairead McGUINNESS, MEP, is Vice-President of the European Parliament, with responsibility for Information Policy, Press and Citizens Relations. She oversees the Parliament's scientific research body, STOA, and she also plays a leading role in the area of children's rights as the Parliament's mediator in cases of

international parental child abduction. She is a member of the Parliament's Agriculture and Rural Development Committee and the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety Committee. She is also Vice-Chair of the Delegation to the EU-Montenegro Stabilisation and Association Parliamentary Committee. First elected as an MEP in June 2004, she was re-elected in June 2009 and again in May 2014. Prior to becoming an MEP she was a journalist, broadcaster and commentator.



Marco CONTIERO works for Greenpeace European Unit since 2004. He spent the last eight years as the EU Policy Director on Agriculture. As the author of several reports and briefings on agricultural and environmental policies he helps coordinating Greenpeace's work at European level and provides the organisation with legal and political advice on

agricultural and environmental issues. He holds a Master's degree in European Environmental Law from the University of Amsterdam (2004) and a Master's degree in International Trade Law from the University of Padua (2003). Before leading Greenpeace's work on agriculture he coordinated for two years the organisation's policy work on the adoption of the EU Regulation on chemicals (REACH). Previously, he worked for the European Environmental Bureau (EEB) as a legal advisor (2004). After graduation at the Faculty of Law in 1999 he practiced as a lawyer in Padua for more than three years.

Biodiversity, Hunting and Countryside Intergroup

The Sustainable Hunting, Biodiversity, Countryside activities and Forestry Intergroup was created in 1985 and is one of the oldest and most active parliamentary platforms. It gathers MEPs from different political groups and various stakeholders promoting wildlife conservation, sustainable hunting and fishing, as well as the sustainable management of the countryside and cultural heritage.

The objectives of the Intergroup are to promote the role of hunting and other forms of sustainable use of wild species for biodiversity, wildlife management, rural development and forestry issues. Additionally, the Intergroup regularly focuses on cross cutting issues that affect socio-economic activities in rural areas and seek to build bridges between the civil society and decision makers.

Past debates and discussions have, for example, addressed issues such as forestry management, wildlife population, the future of EU water courses, the 2020 EU Biodiversity Strategy and other thematic related to Natura 2000.

For the term 2014-2019, the Intergroup has been validated by European Parliament Conference of the Presidents and named the "Biodiversity, Hunting and Countryside Intergroup".

FACE (Federation of Associations for Hunting and Conservation of the EU) provides the Secretariat for the Intergroup since 1985. In 2004, the ELO (European Landowners' Organization) joined the Intergroup as Co-Secretariat, bringing expertise in countryside-related topics.

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The Rural Investment Support for Europe (RISE) Foundation is an independent foundation which strives to support a sustainable and internationally competitive rural economy across Europe, looking for ways to preserve the European countryside, its environment and biodiversity, and its cultural heritage and traditions. It works as a think tank, bringing together experts to address key environmental/ agricultural challenges in Europe and develops high quality accessible research reports with clear recommendations for policy makers. It draws on its extensive network of rural stakeholders to highlight innovative practices developed at the farm level and provides a platform for debate on issues that affect rural communities. **For more information please visit www.risefoundation.eu**



The **European Landowners' Organization (ELO)**, created in 1972, is a unique federation of national associations from the 28 EU Member States and beyond, which represents the interests of landowners, land managers and rural entrepreneurs at the European political level.

Independent and non-profit making, the ELO is the only organisation able to stand for all rural entrepreneurs. Our aim is to promote a prosperous countryside through private property dynamism. In order to achieve all of this, we rely on the Organisation's ability to bring together rural actors, NGOs and political decision makers at local, regional, national and European levels. In this way the voices and opinions of a large number of stakeholders from all over the EU can be heard.

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