



## INTER-PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE

### “CONTRIBUTION OF NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS TO IMPROVING THE COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY“

Monday, 25 September 2023, Zagreb, Croatian Parliament

#### Sunday, 24 September 2023

- ..... Arrival of participants to the Hotel International
- 15.00 – 20.00** Accreditation of participants  
*Hotel International, Lobby*
- 19.00 – 21.00** Buffet dinner  
*Synergy Hall, Hotel International*

#### Monday, 25 September 2023

- 08:45** Transfer from the Hotel International to the Croatian Parliament
- 9:00 – 9.30** Accreditation of participants  
*Croatian Parliament*
- 9:30 – 9:50** **Opening of the Conference**
- Welcoming address:
- **Marijana Petir**, Chairwoman of the Agriculture Committee, Croatian Parliament
- Opening of the Conference:
- **Janusz Wojciechowski**, European Commissioner for Agriculture (video message)
  - **Gordan Jandroković**, Speaker of the Croatian Parliament
- 9:50 – 11:40** **CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF THE  
COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY**
- Keynote speeches:
- **Marija Vučković**, Croatian Minister of Agriculture
  - **Norbert Lins**, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Parliament



- **Wolfgang Burtscher**, Director-General at Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Commission

Panel discussion:

- **Emma Nohrén**, Chairwoman of the Committee on Environment and Agriculture, Sweden
- **Michal Kučera**, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, Chamber of Deputies, Czech Republic
- **João Miguel Maçarico Nicolau**, Member of Parliament, Portugal
- **Mladen Jakopović**, Vice-President of COPA COGECA
- **Vedran Stapić**, President of the Croatian Agrarian Journalists Association and Head of Communications of the European Network of Agrarian Journalists (ENAJ)
- **Ivica Kisić**, Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Zagreb

Debate:

- Representatives of national parliaments – presenting positions

Final considerations

- **Wolfgang Burtscher**, Director-General at Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Commission

**11:40 – 12:00**

**Family Photo  
Coffee Break**

**12:00 – 13:00**

**DECLARATION ON GMO-FREE ALPS-ADRIATIC-DANUBE REGION AND REVIEW OF THE PROPOSALS FOR NEW REGULATIONS CONCERNING PLANTS OBTAINED BY NEW GENOMIC TECHNIQUES AND THE PRODUCTION AND MARKETING OF PLANT REPRODUCTIVE MATERIAL**

Keynote speeches:

- **Marijana Petir**, Chairwoman of the Agriculture Committee, Croatian Parliament
- **Sándor Font**, Committee on Agriculture, Hungary
- **Darja Sokolić**, Executive Director of the Croatian Agency for Agriculture and Food

Panel discussion:

- **Norbert Lins**, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Parliament
- **Silvia Kolar Fodor**, President of the association “Biogarden – in harmony with nature”
- **David Pejić**, best European organic young farmer 2022

Debate:

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13:00 – 13:50

## NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS’ INITIATIVES

National parliaments’ representatives present the initiatives submitted to the European Commission

Keynote speeches:

- **Jenna Simula**, Chairwoman of the Agriculture and Forestry Committee, Finland
- **Gavriel Yiannakis**, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources, Cyprus

Panel discussion:

- **Katya De Giovanni**, Member of Parliament, Malta
- **Jorge Martínez**, Member of Parliament, Senate, Spain
- **Ružica Vukovac**, Deputy Chairwoman of the Agriculture Committee, Croatian Parliament
- **Krunoslav Zmaić**, Dean, Faculty of Agrobiotechnical Sciences Osijek, University of Josip Juraj Strossmayer in Osijek

Debate:

- Representatives of national parliaments – presenting positions
- **Wolfgang Burtscher**, Director-General at Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Commission – political dialogue as a tool for taking part in European decision-making



**13:50 – 14:00**

**FINAL CONSIDERATIONS AND CLOSING OF THE CONFERENCE:**

- **Norbert Lins**, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development of the European Parliament
- **Marijana Petir**, Chairwoman of the Agriculture Committee, Croatian Parliament

**14:00 – 15:00**

Lunch

*“Josip Jelačić” Hall, Croatian Parliament*

**15:15**

Departure of participants from the Croatian Parliament to the Hotel International