



The Value of Biodiversity in the Agri-Food Chain

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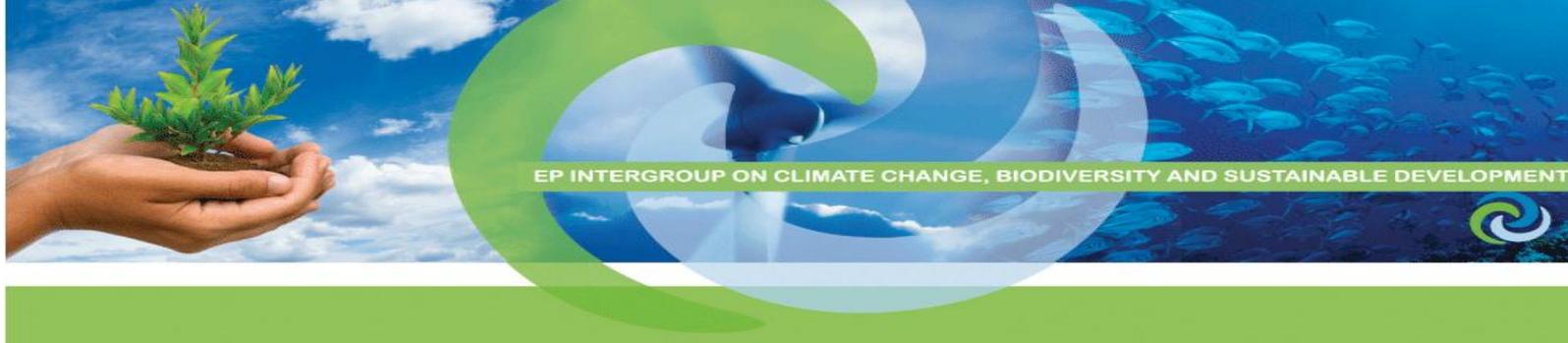
As the world population continues to grow, and global food demand rises as a consequence, food production depends largely on biodiversity and on the services provided by eco-systems.

To maintain these resources and to meet future challenges in terms of food security, actions are needed to ensure that biodiversity is protected, from the production to the distribution and consumption. A whole range of policies has been implemented at the European level to respond to these challenges and ensure biodiversity is protected, such as the reform of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), the Birds and Habitats directives, Natura 2000. Yet, the agriculture sector is vital to food production of Europe, where the agricultural land accounts for almost half of the territory, and the sector employs up to 25 million European citizens.

After having already tackled the topic of biodiversity in food production, the Working Group this time will draw the attention to the importance of promoting biodiversity throughout the whole agri-food chain, where the demands of distributors and consumers have to meet with sustainable food production.

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- 08:00-08:10** Welcoming and introduction by **Angélique Delahaye MEP** and **Pavel Poc MEP**
- 08:10-08:20** European Commission: **Maciej Krzysztofowicz, Market Officer “General aspects of agricultural markets”, DG Agriculture and Rural Development**
- 08:20-08:30** Perspective of the food sector: **Franz Kraus, Manager EU Public Affairs, Mondelez Belgium Services**
- 08:30-08:40** NGO perspective: **Stanka Becheva, Sustainable Food Campaigner, Friends of the Earth Europe**
- 08:40-09:20** **Questions and discussion with the audience**
- 09:25-09:30** **Conclusions by Angélique Delahaye MEP and Pavel Poc MEP**



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