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Fight climate change! Save jobs in agriculture, food and tourism.
EFFAT CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

European Economic and Social Committee, Brussels
23 and 24 September 2009



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**„The consequences of climate change on employment“
on 23rd and 24th September 2009 in Brussels, EESC building**

Venue: **European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)**
Meeting room: JD 62
Rue Belliard, 99
B – 1040 Brussels

Interpretation: English – French – German – Italian – Spanish

PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2009 (internal meeting only for EFFAT members)

REGISTRATION AND OPENING

- 09 am **Registration** of the participants in the EESC building
(meeting room JD 62 – 99, rue Belliard)
- 09.30 am **Opening** by Bruno **VANNONI**, acting EFFAT President

PANEL 1 WHAT IS GOING ON IN AGRICULTURE?

- 09.45 am **Actors or victims – how climate change has an impact on employment in European agriculture**
Report on the EFFAT project „Climate change and the future of employment in agriculture“ by EFFAT Agriculture Secretary, Arnd **SPAHN**
- 10.05 am **Climate change and water management**
Report on an EFFAT meeting by Lucía **GARCIA QUISMONDO G^a ARCICOLLAR** (FTA-UGT, Spain)
- 10.20 am **Necessary strategies of adaptation on the example of mountain regions**
Report on an EFFAT seminar by Salvatore **LO BALBO** (FLAI-CGIL, Italy)
- 10.35 am **Discussion and national contributions**
- Jorge **SANTOS** (SETAA, Portugal)
 - Jesper **LUND-LARSEN** (3F, Denmark)
 - other presentations by the EFFAT member organizations
- 11 am Coffee break

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PANEL 2 WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE TOURISM SECTOR?

11.15 am Situation in the tourism sector
Report by EFFAT Tourism Secretary, Kerstin **HOWALD**

11.30 am **Discussion and national contributions**

- Gabriele **GUGLIELMI** (FILCAMS-CGIL, Italy)
- Josefina **GARCIA LUPIANEZ** (FECOHT-CC.OO, Spain)
- other presentations by the EFFAT member organizations

PANEL 3 WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE FOOD SECTOR?

12 am Situation in the food sector
Report by EFFAT Food Secretary, Eric **DRESIN**

12.15 am **Discussion and national contributions**
by the EFFAT member organizations

1 pm LUNCH BREAK (Atrium 6)

WHAT CAN EFFAT DO?

2.30 pm **Development of an EFFAT action plan to secure workplaces
against the consequences of climate change**

4pm Coffee break

6 pm End of the daily work

8 pm Common dinner in Antwerp

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THURSDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2009 (public conference)

REGISTRATION AND OPENING

- 9 am **Registration** of the participants in the EESC building
(Meeting room JD 62 – 99, rue Belliard)
- 9.30 am **Opening** by Bruno **VANNONI**, acting EFFAT President
- 9.40 am Welcome speech by Irini **PARI**, Vice-President of the EESC

WHAT IS GOING ON IN EUROPE?

- 10 am **How climate change is jeopardizing jobs in Europe -**
Introduction by a representative of the Directorate-General
Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities (DG EMPL) of the
European Commission
- 10.30 am **ITUC policy on climate change,**
Introduction by Claire **COURTEILLE**, International Trade Union
Confederation (ITUC)
- 10.45 am **The EU is a motor for the fight against climate change -**
Presentation of the political objectives of the European Institutions by a
representative of the Directorate-General Environment of the European
Commission
- 11 am Coffee break
- 11.30 am Discussion
- 1 pm Lunch break (Atrium 6)

WHAT MUST HAPPEN IN THE SECTORS OF EFFAT?

- 2:30 pm **Climate change and workplaces in European agriculture**
Report of the EFFAT working group on agriculture which met the day
before by Arnd **SPAHN**, EFFAT Agriculture Secretary
- 2.45 pm **Climate change and workplaces in the European tourism sector**
Report of the EFFAT working group on tourism which met the day
before by Kerstin **HOWALD**, EFFAT Tourism Secretary
- 3 pm **Climate change and workplaces in the European food industry**
Report of the EFFAT working group on food industry which met the day
before by Eric **DRESIN**, EFFAT Food Secretary

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- 3:30 pm **Cooperation as a tool against climate change – Round table**
- Point of view of the EESC by Edgardo **IOZIA**, EESC rapporteur on several climate change and energy related opinions
 - Point of view of farmers by Pekka **PESONEN**, Secretary General of COPA -COGECA
 - Point of view of organic producers and retailers by Thomas **DOSCH**, Deputy President of IFOAM EU Group
 - Point of view of the intersectoral trade unions by Joël **DECAILLON**, ETUC Secretary
 - Point of view of EFFAT by Harald **WIEDENHOFER**, EFFAT Secretary General

Moderator: an agricultural journalist or Arnd **SPAHN**

POLITICAL CONCLUSIONS OF EFFAT

- 4.30 pm **Plan of action of EFFAT to secure workplaces from the consequences of climate change**
Conclusions by Harald **WIEDENHOFER**, EFFAT Secretary General
- 5 pm Closing speech by Bruno **VANNONI**, acting EFFAT President

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