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TO:	Members of the Copa-Cogeca Working Party on Quality Assurance in Agriculture
COPY:	National offices
FROM:	Javier Valle
DATE:	24 September 2013

Re: Invitation and draft agenda for the meetings of the Copa-Cogeca Working Party on Quality Assurance in Agriculture and the Advisory Group on 17th and 18th October 2013

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Commission's services have confirmed that the **Advisory Group on Quality of Agriculture Production** will be held on **18th October from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.** [AQA \(13\)6273 \(rev.1\)](#)

On behalf of the Chairman, Mr Olivier De Carné, we have the pleasure of inviting you to the preparatory meeting of the Working Party on Quality Assurance in Agriculture which will be held on:

17th October from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
at the Copa-Cogeca Secretariat
61 rue de Trèves, 1040 Brussels

Please **complete the enclosed attendance form and return it** to the Secretariat **by 9th October 2013, 5:00 p.m. at the latest** so we can inform the Commission's services in time. Please note that **those members of the Working Party who do not return their form in time cannot be taken into account when forming the Copa-Cogeca delegation¹** that will attend the Advisory Group meeting.

Please regularly check the "Quality Assurance in Agriculture" section on Agri-Info for the latest available documents and to view the papers you will need for the meeting. Please pass this message on to any colleagues who may be interested.

Best regards,

Javier Valle

¹ COPA-COGECA has 12 seats in the Advisory Group, which will be allocated in accordance with document [PR (04)72F1]/[P(04)166F1], which was approved by the COPA and COGECA Praesidia on 6 and 14 May 2004.

- 1. Adoption of the agenda [AQA\(13\)7112 \(rev.2\)](#)**
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the last Working Party meeting (24/06/2013) and Advisory Group (25/06/2013) AQA(13)7154, [AQA\(13\)6805 \(rev.1\)](#)**
- 3. Preparation for the meeting of the Advisory Group on “Quality of Agriculture production” on Friday 18 October 2013, from 9:30 hrs to 17:30 hrs:**

3.1 Regulation N° 1151/2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs:

- a) "Mountain product": State of play of the Delegated act on application of the optional quality term "mountain product"
- b) "Local farming and direct sales": Preparation of the report on the case for a new local farming and direct sales labelling scheme
- c) "Island farming": Preparation of the report on the case for a new term "product of island farming"

3.2 Common Agricultural Policy focused on quality related issues:

- a) Regulation on support for Rural Development
- b) Marketing standards in the framework of the proposal for a Regulation on the “single CMO”: general marketing standards and links with the rules on origin labelling laid down in the Regulation 1169/2011 on food information to consumers
- c) Information on the management of supply for products covered by a PDO, PGI in the framework of the Regulation on the “single CMO” (cheese and ham)

3.3 State of play and results of the Consultation on Sustainability of the Food System (written contribution)

3.4. Implementation of Regulation 1169/2011 on the provision of food information to consumers:

- a) Implementation of mandatory origin labelling rules for unprocessed pig, poultry, sheep and goatmeat: Article 26.2 (b) (results of the Study and next steps)
- b) Implementation of voluntary origin labelling of foods – Article 26.3 (results of the Study and next steps)
- c) The origin of meat used as an ingredient – Article 26.6 (report on the mandatory origin labelling)
- d) State of play of the reports regarding the mandatory indication of the country of origin or place of provenance for the following foods: other meats, milk, milk

used as an ingredient in dairy products, unprocessed foods, single ingredient products and ingredients that represent more than 50% of a food (Article 26.5)

4. Information on the future of EU promotion policy for agricultural products: update on legislative discussions and preparation of the EC legislative proposal

5. State of play of the review of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 on official controls on food and feed safety, animal health and animal welfare focused on Quality Certification schemes

6. Information regarding the negotiation between the EU and the United States – Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP), role of geographical indications.

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PLEASE RETURN TO ANNE-CATHERINE LOUPPE BY 9TH
OCTOBER 2013

(5:00 P.M. AT THE LATEST)

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WORKING PARTY ON QUALITY ASSURANCE IN
AGRICULTURE

17/10/2013 * 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

NAME:

ORGANISATION/COUNTRY:

E-MAIL:

am able to attend am unable to attend

WORKING LANGUAGE:

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ADVISORY GROUP ON QUALITY ON AGRICULTURE
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NAME:

ORGANISATION:

would like to participate as a reimbursed expert²

would like to participate as a non-reimbursed expert²

NB: The Copa-Cogeca Secretariat will inform you of the composition of the Copa-Cogeca delegation that will participate in the Advisory Group **8 working days before the meeting is held**. Those members of the Working Party who do not complete and return their forms before the deadline will not be taken into account when the Copa-Cogeca delegation is composed.

² In accordance with the rules and criteria laid down by Copa/Cogeca in document [PR(04)72F1]/P(04)166F1