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<b>To:</b>	<b>WP Rural Development</b>
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<b>From:</b>	<b>Katerina Vrublova</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>23 September 2019</b>

**Re: Invitation and draft agendas for the Copa and Cogeca Working Party on Rural Development and the “CDG Rural Development” on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Commission’s services have confirmed that the Civil Dialogue Group on Rural Development will be held **on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019, from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

On behalf of the Chair, Mrs Sofia Björnsson, it is our pleasure to invite you to the Working Party on Rural Development, which will be held on:

**29<sup>th</sup> October 2019 from 09:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.**  
at the Copa-Cogeca Secretariat  
61 rue de Trèves, 1040 Brussels

Please **register [here](#) before 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019 by 1:00 p.m. at the latest.**  
Please note that **those members of the Working Party who do not register in time cannot be taken into account when forming the Copa and Cogeca delegation** that will attend the Civil Dialogue Group meeting.  
Copa and Cogeca has **18 reimbursed seats to be allocated in accordance with the [draft table on the indicative participation of Copa and Cogeca representatives in DG AGRI’s Civil Dialogue Groups in 2014 CAT\(14\)7050 \(rev.1\).](#)**  
The Copa-Cogeca Secretariat will inform you of the composition of the Copa and Cogeca delegation that will participate in the Civil Dialogue Group **8 working days before the meeting at the latest.**

Please regularly check the Rural Development 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.

Yours faithfully,

Katerina Vrublova

## **Draft agenda: Copa and Cogeca Working Party on Rural Development**

1. Adoption of the agenda [DR\(19\)7885 \(rev.1\)](#)
2. Adoption of the minutes of the last meeting (26<sup>th</sup> February 2019) [DR\(19\)7884 \(rev.1\)](#)
3. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chairs
4. Information update on recent activities
5. Exchange of views on the future CAP
  - State of play of the legislative process and Secretariat work
  - Exchange of views on the latest developments in the MS

*What progress is your MS making on the development of SWOT analysis and the CAP Strategic Plans?*
6. Future cooperation with the National Rural Networks
  - Presentation by David Lamb, ENRD
  - Exchange of views on the planned event and agenda points
7. Future cooperation with the coalition of regions
  - Presentation by Federico Sgarbi from the Brittany region
  - Exchange of views on the planned event
8. Transition from current rules to CAP post 2020

*In your view, what conditions should the rules set to ensure a smooth transition of Pillar II measures?*
9. Brainstorming on future activities of the Working Party

*In your view, on what specific topics should this WP focus on in the nearest future and in long-term?*
10. Preparation of the CDG meeting
  - a. Horizon 2020
  - b. Bioeconomy
11. Suggestions for topics for the next WP and CDG on Rural Development
12. AOB

## **Draft agenda of the Civil Dialogue Group meeting on Rural Development**

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Elections of the Chair and Vice-Chairs
3. Future CAP

- a. State of play in the Parliament and in the Council
  - b. MS progress on CAP plans – state of play
  - c. New green architecture and the interplay between AECM, enlarged conditionality and eco-schemes
  - d. CAP networks
4. The Mission letters for the new EC and its relevance to rural development topics
    - a. Presentation from the Commission
    - b. Exchange of views with members
  5. Feedback on the Stock taking of CDGs
    - a. Presentation from the Commission

***Lunch break***

6. Broadband in rural areas– development strategy
  - a. Presentation from the Commission
  - b. Exchanges with members
7. Horizon Europe outlook – what is new, what are the challenges?
8. Bioeconomy – what does that mean for rural areas and agriculture?
  - a. Presentation from ENRD on their report on bioeconomy
  - b. Exchanges with members
9. Animal welfare in the EU: recommendations for the CAP from European Court of Auditors Special Report 31/2018
  - a. Presentation from the Commission/ECA
  - b. Exchange of views with members
10. ENRD and EIP activities – first ideas for the next period
11. Suggestions of items for the next Civil Dialogue Group
12. AOB