



XXIX EURAGRI Conference

“Diffusion of innovation and knowledge in agriculture”

co-hosted by the Luxembourgish Government under the Luxembourg EU Presidency

Luxembourg, 27 – 29 September 2015

Centre Convict, Luxembourg

5, avenue Marie-Thérèse, L-2132 Luxembourg

Sunday 27 September 2015

19:00 – 21:00 Welcome reception, Centre Convict

Monday 28 September 2015

08:30 – 09:00 Welcome and registration

09:00 – 09:30 Welcome address by Léon WIETOR, Director of Administration des services techniques de l'agriculture

Welcome address by representatives of the Luxembourgish government

Marc HANSEN, Secretary of State for Higher Education and Research

Fernand ETGEN, Minister of Agriculture, Viticulture and Consumer protection

Welcome address by the European Commission

John BELL, Director of DG Research & Innovation

Welcome address by Pascal BERGERET, President of EURAGRI

9:30 – 10:30 Plenary Session 1: A frame for diffusion of innovation

Moderator: Pascal Bergeret

- SCAR 4th Foresight, Michel GRIFFON
- Sustainability as innovation: challenges and perspectives in measurement and implementation, Prof. Dr. Vera BITSCH – Technical University of Munich
- “The Animal Task Force” platform – how it involves stakeholders and how to draw a framework for future expectations, Dr. Martin SCHOLTEN – Wageningen UR

10:30 – 11:00 Plenary discussion





11:00 - 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 12:30 Plenary Session 2: Examples of diffusion and innovation

Moderator: Léon Wietor, Vice-president, EURAGRI

- Obstacles encountered in the diffusion of innovation in the agricultural sector, Prof. Dr. Wolfgang BOKELMANN – Humboldt University Berlin
- Techniques and methods of knowledge transfer, Prof. Dr. Michael WOYWODE and Dr. Niclas Ruffer – University of Mannheim
- Agricultural knowledge chain, Prof. Lena EKELUND – Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences

12:30 – 13:00 Plenary discussion

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 18:30 Field trips

- TOUR 1: Visit of the Luxembourgish Institute for Viticulture, Remich: welcome address by Roby LEY, Director of the Institut Viti-Vinicole. Technical visit and research work presented by Dr. Daniel MOLITOR (Luxembourg Institute of Science and Technology), Robert MANNES and Mareike SCHULTZ (Institut Viti-Vinicole).
- TOUR 2: Visit of a fruit production site - Ferme Pretemer Haff, Limpach: welcome address by Nico HOFFMANN, Owner of the Pretemer Haff. Technical visit and innovation presented by Andreas LOEBKE (Co Concept), bordercrossing advising and consulting network by Franz-Josef SCHEUER (Dienstleistungszentren Ländlicher Raum Rheinland-Pfalz).
- Joint visit of a winery, Wellenstein

19:00 – 19:45 General Assembly of EURAGRI in Bad Mondorf (members only)

The participants of the General Assembly will have to join TOUR 1

20:00 Conference dinner in Bad Mondorf





Tuesday 29 September 2015

08:30 – 10:00 Plenary Session 3: Introductory talks to the parallel discussion groups

Moderator: Paul Steffen, Agroscope

Four plenary talks for four breakout parallel discussion groups

- Strategic approaches: Prof. Dr. Monika SCHREINER and Dr. Marianne ALTMANN
- Supply chains: Prof. Dr. Wolfgang BOKELMANN
- Private-Public Partnerships: Dr. Kevin O' CONNOR, chairman of the Scientific Committee of the Bio-Based Industries Joint Undertaking program
- European policy and implication on future research and innovation: Dr. Hervé GUYOMARD (Scientific Director for Agriculture at INRA; economist specialized in CAP policy)

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break

10:30 – 12:00 Parallel discussion groups

1. Strategic approaches
(moderator and rapporteur: Gianluca Brunori, University of Pisa)
2. Supply chains
(moderator and rapporteur: Christian Huyghe, INRA)
3. Private-Public Partnerships
(moderator: Gerry Boyle, Teagasc; rapporteur: Niels Gøtke, Danish Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation)
4. European policy and implication on future research and innovation
(moderator: Uno Svedin, Stockholm University, rapporteur: Bettina Heimann)

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 14:30 Reports from the parallel discussion groups

14:30 – 15:00 Report EURAGRI workshop: *The European agro-food model under transition-societal and cultural aspects facing Europe in a global context* (Uno Svedin)

15:00 – 15:15 Coffee break

15:15 – 15:45 Conference wrap-up

Live synthesis of the key messages by Carol Crumley, University of North Carolina and Uppsala University

15:45 – 16:00 Conclusions by Pascal BERGERET, chairman of EURAGRI

