

## 32<sup>nd</sup> Session of the Assembly of the Regional Rural Development Standing Working Group (SWG) in South Eastern Europe

26th – 28th April, 2015  
Brussels, Belgium

### PROGRAM

#### April 26th, 2015 (Sunday)

- Arrival of the participants

#### April 27th, 2015 (Monday)

##### **SWG Assembly Session (Open Meeting)**

*Chair: President of the SWG Assembly*

*Co-Chair: SWG Secretary General*

09:30 – 09:50	Official Address Mr. John Clarke, Director for International Bilateral Relations DG Agriculture and Rural Development, Directorate A;
09:50 – 10:00	Introduction of the topics of the program for the 32 <sup>nd</sup> SWG Session <i>President of the SWG Assembly</i>
10:00 – 10:30	IPA II Priorities including Cross-Border Cooperation Mr. Pascal Herry, Administrator; DG Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations
10:30 – 11:00	The Common Agricultural Policy: state of play Mr. Ricard Raimon I Sumoy, Agricultural Policy Analyses and Perspectives Directorate E; Unit E.1, DG Agriculture and Rural Development
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 – 12:00	2024 Prospects for EU Agricultural Markets and Income Mr. Benjamin Van Doorslaer, Unit for Agricultural modelling and Outlook, DG Agriculture and Rural Development
12:00 – 12:30	“Copa and Cogeca: promoting and defending the interest of the farming community in the EU” Mr. Pekka Pesonen, Secretary General, Copa-Cogeca
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch break
14:00 – 14:30	Review of the realized activities within the SWG in the period January - April 2015 via SWG Operational Plan <i>SWG Head Office/Secretariat</i>

- 14:30 – 15:00 Discussions on the SWG upcoming activities for the year 2015  
*SWG Head Office/Secretariat*
- 15:00 – 15:20 Preparations for the Agricultural Policy Forum 2015  
*SWG Head Office/Secretariat*
- 15:20 – 15:40 Preparations for the 9th Annual Meeting of the Ministers of Agriculture from SEE  
*SWG Head Office/Secretariat*
- 15:40 - 16:00 Elaboration and update on the cooperation with European Commission  
  
*SWG – EC: “IPA Multi-beneficiary Annual Programme- Preparation for an Area Based Development Approach in the Western Balkans 2014”*  
*SWG Head Office/Secretariat*
- 16:00 - 16:20 Coffee Break
- 16:20 - 16:40 Update and progress in relation to the cooperation with JRC IPTS and DG Agri  
  
*SWG – JRC IPTS: “Monitoring and assessment of agriculture and rural development policies in Western Balkans”*  
Mr. Sergio Gomez y Paloma, AgriLife Unit JRC - IPTS
- 16:40 - 17:00 Elaboration and update on the cooperation with GIZ  
*SWG Head Office/Secretariat*  
  
*SWG – GIZ: “Support to the EU reform processes in the field of agriculture and rural development of SEE countries and strengthening of regional cooperation and networking in South Eastern Europe”*  
  
*SWG-GIZ: “Strengthening capacity building through networking and regional cooperation in the Western Balkan countries”*  
  
*SWG- GIZ: “Rural Development through water and forest management in SEE”*  
  
*SWG – GIZ: “Support to sustainable waste management in SEE rural and costal cross-border areas”*
- 17:00 – 17:30 Final Discussions and Conclusions

#### **April 28th, 2015 (Tuesday)**

#### **SWG Assembly Session (Closed Meeting - for SWG Delegates and Observers) and EC ABD project steering group meeting**

- Departure of the Participants