

BEUC Conference

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ABOUT



Today:
46 member organizations
in 32 countries

- Funding:
 - 40% member fees
 - 30% EU opening grant
 - 24% projects

ACHIEVEMENTS

Successfully implemented the following:



Cheaper and Greener cars by 2050



Free Roaming fees in EU



General Data Protection Regulation



Shop Across Borders



Origin Labeling



Savings protection and capacity to open a bank in the EU

SPEAKERS



Pauline Constant
Head of Communications
(Food and Sustainability)



Camille Perrin
Senior Food Policy Officer

Source: BEUC, official website, 2022

TOPICS

FOOD SAFETY



safe food
and right information



informed food
choices



Access to sustainable
and healthy diets



removing process
contaminants on food



food labeling

ENABLING FOOD ENVIRONMENTS



Make food
"greener" and
healthier by design



Restrict marketing and
advertising of unhealthy
food to children



Stop public funding of
advertisements that
support the meat market

LOCATION

Rue d'Arlon 80,
1040 Bruxelles, Belgium

Sources:

<https://www.google.com/maps/@50.8419021,4.3735414,3a,75y,259.42h,94.03t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1sNGalchbtgLf6GxbxyI30KA!2e0!7i13312!8i6656?hl=pt-PT>



EESC: THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE



Myrto Koliva

Head of Sector at European
Economic and Social
Committee

Who?

Workers

Employers

Association



329 Members

6 sections

ECO

INT

TEN

SOC

NAT

REX

CCMI

SDO

NAT?

Priorities

More sustainable
CAP & CFP

Preserving natural
capital

Sustainable
development

Why?

To advise

European parliament

European commission

Council of the
European union



Info

NAT website

<https://www.eesc.europa.eu/en/sections/nat>

Work programme of SDO

<https://www.eesc.europa.eu/en/sections/sdo>

EESC opinions on sustainable food systems

<https://www.eesc.europa.eu/en/sections/sdo/food>

CONFERENCE AT COPA-COGECA

THE 22TH OF NOVEMBER 2024, BRUSSEL

The speaker

Bruno Menne

Director of Commodities
at Copa-Cogeca

source: LinkedIn



The logo



source: agrinews.es

Key number

- ➔ Members: 70+ organizations across the EU.
- ➔ Population represented: 22 million farmers
- ➔ Contribution: Agriculture accounts for 10% of the EU GDP

source: copa-cogeca website

More information with this links:

- ➔ <https://www.copa-cogeca.eu>
- ➔ <https://www.lafranceagricole.fr/copa-cogeca/t21876>

Lobbying

COPA-COGECA actively engages in lobbying within the EU to influence agricultural policies in favor of farmers and cooperatives.

How they lobby

- ➔ Participating in consultations with EU institutions.
- ➔ Providing expert opinions and data to influence decisions on key issues like the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), trade agreements, and sustainability goals.
- ➔ Hosting events and meetings with policymakers.

Main Missions/Focus Areas

- ➔ Sustainable agriculture (e.g., promoting eco-friendly practices).
- ➔ Farmers' rights (defending fair prices and market access).
- ➔ Policy advocacy (collaborating with EU institutions to influence legislation)

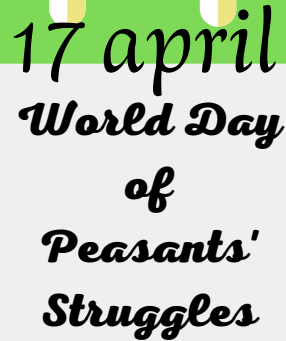
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Via Campesina

~SINCE 1992~



200 millions peasants
81 countries
182 organizations



17 april
*World Day
of
Peasants'
Struggles*




Help small farmers Food sovereignty
Sustainable agriculture **GOALS**
Preservation of natural resources

WE NEED MORE PEASANTS.NES !!

- Between 2005 and 2016 we lost 25% of European farms.
- In 2010, 69% of farms had less than 5 ha and the average size was 14.2 ha,
- In 2013, the average size increased to 16.1 ha (+12.2%)

**WE REQUEST 20 MILLION
FARMS BY 2040**

Peasant agroecology

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- One practice living
 - One movement scientist
 - One movement sociopolitical



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