



Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Hearing

“Fruits, vegetables and wine market situation – the impact of the EU measures to face the COVID-19 pandemic”

26 October 2020, 17.00h – 18.45h, room József Antall (2Q2), Brussels

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Welcome and opening remarks by **Mr Norbert Lins**, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

The EU package for wine and F&V responded effectively and in a targeted way to the crisis as well as in recovering producer’s competitiveness and consumers demand within the EU?

PANEL I: The wine sector

Mr Thierry Coste, Chairman of the WP on Wine COGECA - General Confederation of Agricultural Cooperatives - *“The impact of EU support on the production”*

Mr Ignacio Sanchez Recarte, Secretary General CEEV - Comité Européen des Entreprises Vins - *“Wine package: a first step in the long route towards recovery”*

Ms Daniela Zandoná, Advisor EFOW - European Federation of Origin Wines - *“Wine appellations: lessons to learn from the COVID-19 crisis”*

Question & Answer session

PANEL II: The fruit and vegetable sector

Mr Luc Vanoirbeek, Chairman of the WP on Fruits and Vegetables - COPA - Committee of Professional Agricultural Organizations - *“The impact of EU support on the production”*

Mr Philippe Binard, General Delegate FRESHFEL - European Fresh produce Association - *“The socio-economic challenges for F&V sector created by the pandemic”*

Ms Olympia Apostolou - Trade coordinator EKE, Greek fruit canners’ association and PROFEL canned fruit expert - European Association of Fruit and Vegetable Processors - *“COVID challenges faced by fruit and vegetable processors – a snapshot from the fruit canning sector”*

Question & Answer session

DG AGRI Commission’s representative

Closing remarks by **Mr Norbert Lins** Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development