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The Director

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Invitation to the meeting of the STANDING COMMITTEE ON ORGANIC FARMING

The 115th meeting of the Standing Committee on Organic Farming will take place on 28-29 November 2013 and will start on 28 November at 14:30 a.m. until 18:30 and on 29 November at 09:30 until 18:30 at rue de la Loi 130 – 11th floor - room B

Simultaneous interpretation: FR-DE-EN-IT-ES to FR-DE-EN-IT-ES

I have the honour to invite the experts from the appropriate departments of the Governments of the Member States to attend a meeting of the Standing Committee on Organic Farming which will take place on 28-29 November 2013 in Brussels at the following address:

> European Commission - DG AGRI building rue de la Loi 130 - B 1049 BRUSSELS 11th floor - room B

AGENDA

Section A - Opinion of the Committee

Draft Commission implementing Regulation (EU) No .../..of XXX amending and correcting Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products with regard to organic production, labelling and control. (Articles 25e and 25o regarding percentage of organic juveniles/seed to be used in organic aquaculture)

Section B - Points for information and/or discussion

Please note that this point will take place on 28 November 2013 from 14.30 to 18.30.

OFIS (Organic Farming Information System) – Exchange of information between Member States and the Commission, Reporting, Notifications of irregularities – Presentation of different modules

- Draft Commission implementing Regulation (EU) No .../..of XXX amending and correcting Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products with regard to organic production, labelling and control. (Annexes I and II)
- 4. Rural development programs in CAP post 2013: Delegated and implementing acts
- Accreditation of control bodies in the field of organic production: presentation by the European cooperation for Accreditation (EA) of the new policy to be implemented as from 1 January 2014
- Dealing with alleged fraud in the organic sector lessons learnt from the "Gatto con gli stivali" case (questionnaire to MS) and way forward
- 7. Reporting and notifications under organic farming legislation
- 8. Review of EU organic framework state of play
- 9. Irregularities and controls
 - a) Update on notification of EU irregularities
 - b) Update on notification of irregularities concerning imported products
- 10. EGTOP follow-up news on Subgroups Aquaculture & Food II
- 11. Import regime (Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008)
 - a) CB application 2013 overview, instructions for assessment for co-reporters (CircaBC)
 - b) Proposition of technical adaptations to the incorporation of organic legislation into the EEA Agreement

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- c) Overview on third countries and CBs
- 12. Miscellaneous1

Any subjects that the Member States wish to discuss under Point 'Miscellaneous' need to be submitted to the Commission and the other Member States at the latest one week before the meeting of the Standing Committee on Organic Farming.