

POLLINATORS AND AGRICULTURE

28th of June 2011- EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, Brussels
ROOM PHS 1A2, 15.00-18.00

PROGRAMME

14.30 Participant's arrival and registration

15.00 Opening of the conference

Paolo De CASTRO, Chair of the Committee "Agriculture and Rural Development"

- Welcoming word by **Thierry de l'Escaille** ELO
- Presentation of the Brochure, **Friedhelm Schmider**, ECPA

15.10 FIRST SESSION Pollinators and Ecosystem services

Chair: **Astrid LULLING**, MEP

Key note speech: **Pollination and agriculture**, University of Reading, **Simon Potts**

Panellists:

- Introduction to pollinators and their services, ECPA, **Christoph KÜNST**
- Challenges for pollinator and biodiversity, Head of EU Policy, Birdlife, **Ariel BRUNNER**
- Farming practices and pollination services, Vice-President CLA, **Philip Merricks** CLA

15.50 DISCUSSIONS

16.00 SECOND SESSION Honeybees in the context of sustainable agriculture

Chair: **Bogusław SONIK**, MEP

Key note speech: Facts on honeybees and mutual benefits, University of Bremen, Dorothea **BRUCKNER**

Panellists:

- European parliament view on honeybee health, **Csaba TABADJI**, MEP
- Honeybee health, COPA-COGECA, **Etienne BRUNEAU** (tbc)
- PPP and their uses, farming practices, **ECPA expert** (tbd)

16.40 Discussions

17.00 CLOSING PANEL: THIRD SESSION EU policies supporting pollinators

Chair: **Thierry de l'ESCAILLE**, Secretary General, ELO & **Friedhelm SCHMIDER**, ECPA

- The Biodiversity strategy for pollinators, European Commission, **Michael HAMMELL** or **Claudia OLAZABAL** (tbc)
- Position of the agricultural committee, **Astrid LULLING**, MEP
- The Hungarian EU Presidency perspective, Senior counsellor at Ministry of Agriculture, **Béki NANDOR**

17.40 Discussions

18.00 Conclusions and Cocktail