



Who: This Symposium will be hosted by Martin Hojsik and Fredrick Federley, Renew Europe

When: 12 December 2019

Where: In the European Parliament, room PHS 5B1, 9.00 to 13.00 with Coffee at 8.30

Simultaneous interpretation: EN, IT, FR

8.30 – 9.00 Coffee and Croissants

9.15-9.30 Welcome and introduction by **Martin Hojsik** (MEP, Renew Europe) and **Michael Hamell** (Professor of Agriculture, University College Dublin - Chair and Moderator)

9.30-10.15 Key note speeches

- Which policy tools will be offered to assist in the ecological transition by Health Commissioner **Stella Kyriakides** (*tbc*)
- Which policy and technical tools will be offered in France to ensure the ecological transition by **Florence Jacquet**, Research Director in the French National Research Agency (INRA)

10.15-10.45 How to engage farmers in the ecological transition

- *What will make farmers engage in the ecological transition and how to help them to manage the perceived risk* by **Erik Mathijs**, Professor of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of Leuven, Belgium
- *Designing policy instruments for ecological transition: The importance of understanding farmers' motivation and decision styles* by **Helle Ørsted Nielsen**, Department of Environmental Science, University of Aarhus, Denmark

10.45-11.00 State of Play: The uptake of alternatives across Europe

IBMA/PAN Europe/IOBC's sectoral and geographical mapping of uptake of organic production methods and use of non-chemical alternatives including biocontrol technologies.

11.00-11.40 Farmers experience in the uptake of alternatives to fungicides

- *The use of alternatives in fighting fungal diseases in vine grapes*, **Alex Valsecchi**, UK farmer
- *The use of alternatives to fighting fungal diseases in rice*, **Paolo Mosca**, Italian farmer
- *The use of alternatives to fighting fungal diseases in arables*, **Jean-Francois Monod**, French farmer

11.40-12.30 Debate: What policy actions at EU-level are needed to ensure the ecological transition of the agricultural sector

Martin Hojsik (Renew Europe), Fredrick Federley (Renew Europe), Michal Wiezik (EPP), Franc Bogovič (EPP), Jytte Guteland (S&D), Isabel Carvalhais (S&D), Sarah Wiener (Greens/EFA), Jeremy Decerle (Renew Europe) *tbc*.

Debating with: Tomas Garcia Azcarate (Deputy Director IEGC-CSIC), Andreas Gumbert (European Commission, DG ENVI), Andrew Owen Griffiths (European Commission, DG SANTE), Gijs Schilthuis (European Commission, DG AGRI), David Baldock (IEEP)

12.30 Conclusion by Michael Hamell -including reflection on alternatives based on the 7 Symposia

13.00 End of conference

The symposium will be **web-streamed** live on the following websites (in English, French and Italian):

www.ibma-global.org www.pan-europe.info

This symposium will be followed by local debates organized in a number of universities. It is part of a series of annual events. Presentations of earlier years SUD symposiums:

<https://www.pan-europe.info/events/annual-symposium>



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