

4 November 2014

**Symposium “Feeding Europe with fewer pesticides”  
9.00 – 13.00, European Parliament, room ASP 5E1**

**09.00** - Welcome by **Benedek Jávor, Vice-chair of the ENVI Committee**

**09.05** - Welcome by **Michael Hamell, Professor of Agriculture, University College Dublin**

**09.15** - What is being done on pesticide related issues during the **Italian Presidency**, **Silvia Nicoli**, agricultural expert from the Permanent Representation of Italy

**09.20** - Pesticides and retailers: the Euro Coop perspective and the Coop Denmark case study - **Rosita Zilli (Euro Coop)** and **Malene Teller Blume (Coop Denmark)**

**09.35** - Pesticide impacts and alternatives - A scientific perspective - **Kirsten Thompson (Scientist, Greenpeace Research Laboratories)**

**09.45** - Integrated pest management: the future is already here by **Ilaria Pertot and Andrea Lucchi** (vice presidents of **IOBC-wprs**)

**10.00** - A serious implementation of the EU Directive on Sustainable Use of Pesticides (SUDP), ways forward - **Henriette Christensen (PAN)** and **David Cary** (executive director of **IBMA**)

**10.15 - 10.30 - Break**

**10.30 -11.40 - Success stories about farmers reducing pesticide use**

- **Mauro Varner, Cantine Mezzacorona (Viticulture advisor)**
- **August Jost (Maize grower from Austria)**
- **Felix Wäckers (Professor, Lancaster University, Director R&D Biobest)**
- **Erich Stekovics (Vegetable grower from Austria)**

**Questions and debate with David Baldock (IEEP), Noa Simon (Utrecht University), Pavel Poc (MEP, Vice-chair of ENVI Committee), Herbert Dorfmann (MEP) and Marco Zullo (MEP)**

**11.40 – 12.50 Ways forward to reduce pesticide use in the EU**

- What is European Commission SANCO doing to implement the SUDP by **Ladislav Miko** (Acting Director General, **DG Sanco**)
- How can the Common Agricultural Policy, especially the Farm Advisory Service, help implementation of SUDP by **Joost Korte** (**Deputy Director General, DG AGRI**)

**Panel discussions with David Baldock (IEEP), Michael Hamell (University College Dublin), Pavel Poc (MEP, Vice-chair of ENVI Committee), Nicola Caputo (ME) and Karin Kadenbach (MEP)**

**12.50** - Conclusion by **Michael Hamell**