



European Economic and Social Committee

PROGRAMME

External Relations Section and Farmers' Category Debate **The Role of Agriculture in Development Policy** **11 June 2015**

Venue: EESC premises, meeting room JDE 62, 99 rue Belliard, Brussels

- 2.30 p.m. **Opening by José María Zufiaur**, president of the REX Section
- 2.35 p.m. **Presentation of the agri-agencies network AGRICORD by Ignace Coussement**, Secretary-General, AGRICORD
- 2.40 – 2.55 p.m. **Presentation of first case study: the case of forestry**
❖ **Juha Ruippo**, Finnish Agri-agency for Food&Forest Development (member of AGRICORD)
- 2.55 p.m. – 3.10 p.m. **Presentation of second case study: sustainable land policy/management**
❖ **Ousmane N'Diaye**, Director, ASPRODEB (African member of AGRICORD)
- 3.10 p.m. – 3.20 p.m. Q&A
- 3.20 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. **Agriculture and Development, main challenges**
❖ **Ignace Coussement**, Secretary-General, AGRICORD
❖ **Regis Meritan**, Head of Sector "Agricultural Growth", DG DEVCO/C1 (Rural Development, Food Security, Nutrition)
❖ **Mustapha Sinaceur**, Director, FAO Liaison Office, Brussels
- 4.00 p.m. – 4.20 p.m. Debate
- 4.20 – 4.30 p.m. **Conclusions and steps forwards**
❖ **Yves Somville**, EESC member, Farmers Category's spokesman

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