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**ADOPTED
OPINIONS**

NAT opinions that were adopted during the last Section meeting

■ **Land use, land use change and forestry (LULUCF)**

Opinion on accounting rules and action plans on greenhouse gas emissions and removals resulting from activities related to land use, land use change and forestry in the Union's climate change commitments.

➤ <http://bit.ly/OTIkUv>

■ **Conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms**

➤ <http://bit.ly/Ooptz>

■ **Innovation for a sustainable future - the Eco-innovation Action Plan**

➤ <http://bit.ly/RPvsgL>

SOCIAL FARMING GOING FORWARD

In the past months the EESC has strived for the recognition of social farming at European level.

In support to the social farming initiative undertaken by the Italian Vice-minister, Mr Adelfio Cardinale, the President of the NAT section, Mario Campli, addressed him in a letter:

➤ <http://bit.ly/OYrp3o>

UPCOMING EVENTS

24 OCTOBER 2012

PUBLIC HEARING

Prevention and reduction of food losses and food waste

➤ <http://bit.ly/TgB4xx>

22 NOVEMBER 2012

NAT SECTION MEETING

04-06 DECEMBER

EESC SIDE EVENT (COP18 - DOHA)

Biomass for climate-smart energy: opportunity or risk?

10 DECEMBER

CONFERENCE

CAP@50 - Closing Conference (organised by DG AGRI in partnership with the EESC)

PAST EVENTS

16 OCTOBER 2012

SEMINAR

Local development: a strategic challenge for rural areas - the Leader approach in support of the Europe 2020 Strategy (organised by R.E.D.)

➤ <http://bit.ly/RB9ITb>

27 SEPTEMBER 2012

PUBLIC WORKING SESSION

European civil society has an interest in the CAP!

➤ <http://bit.ly/QXITbG>

25 SEPTEMBER 2012

CONFERENCE- EUROPE2020

Step up for a stronger Europe! - Civil society: a full partner in the Europe 2020 strategy

➤ <http://bit.ly/Ng7uXt>

EUROPEAN RESOURCE EFFICIENCY PLATFORM

On 24 to 26 September the EESC hosted a working group meeting of the European Resource Efficiency Platform.

The European Resource Efficiency Platform's objective is to provide high-level guidance to the European Commission, Member States and private actors on the transition to a more resource-efficient economy.

The Platform's members include European Commissioner Potočnik, Vice-President Tajani, Commissioners Hedegaard, Šemeta and Rehn, members of the European Parliament, ministers, business CEOs, academia and representatives of NGOs and civil society.

Ms Siobhan Egan, the EESC rapporteur on the opinion on the Roadmap to a Resource Efficient Europe, opened the event.

European Resource Efficiency Platform

➤ <http://bit.ly/LbiPGT>

EESC opinion on Resource Efficient Europe

➤ <http://bit.ly/H7iUMJ>

DOCUMENTS & INFOS

▪ R.E.D. - "Together for a new impetus" Comments on the EC proposals for Regulations on the EARFD, the ERDF and the common provisions for the programming period 2014 – 2020

➤ <http://bit.ly/RwSoiz>

▪ European Environment Agency, EEA Signals 2012 - Building the future we want

➤ <http://bit.ly/JS4e6Y>

▪ OECD-FAO, Agricultural Outlook 2012-2021

➤ <http://bit.ly/V6eZDb>

▪ FAO, Agricultural cooperatives: key to feeding the world

➤ <http://bit.ly/PAv3hb>

THE BEES ARE BACK IN TOWN

If you would like to know more about the urban bees initiative of the EESC and CoR, see our brochure:

➤ <http://bit.ly/P9Qf0a>

The NAT Section on the EESC-website

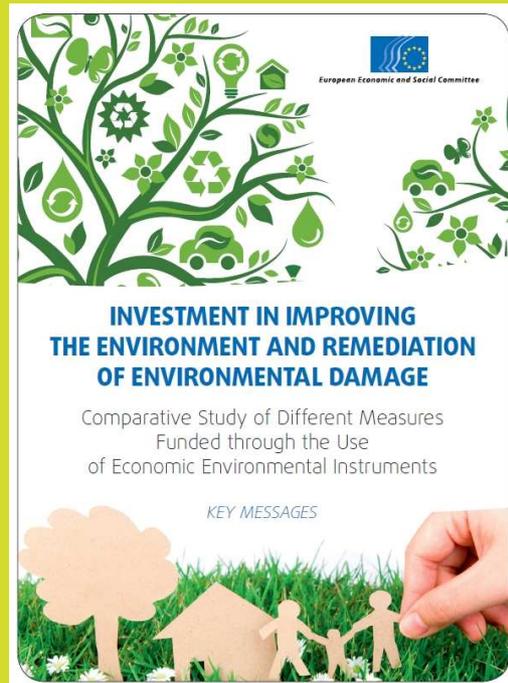
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INVESTMENT IN IMPROVING THE ENVIRONMENT

A study on investment in improving the environment and remediation of environmental damage

In 2011, at the initiative of the NAT Section Member Roman Haken, the EESC commissioned a Study on "Investment in improving the environment and remediation of environmental damage".

The study identified best practice and issued recommendations on re-investing the proceeds from economic environmental instruments into environmental improvement and remediation measures.



■ Key-messages of the report (Brochure)

➤ <http://bit.ly/Rf2abW>

■ Full version of the Final Report:

➤ <http://bit.ly/PnUVPY>



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