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### ADOPTED OPINIONS

NAT opinions that were adopted during the last Plenary session

#### ■ Rio+20 - Current situation and future prospects (additional opinion)

The present opinion seeks to assess the Rio+20 conference in the light of the EESC's proposals and to identify prospects for follow-up measures.

➤ <http://bit.ly/T5t72h>

#### ■ Social farming

The purpose of this own-initiative opinion is to examine the potential social advantages (the public goods produced by the farming sector which will benefit society and the economy) and eventual constraints hampering its realisation.

➤ <http://bit.ly/U9vXEm>

#### ■ European Innovation Partnership on Water

The EESC opinion on the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) on Water.

➤ <http://bit.ly/T4hLdy>

#### ■ European Innovation Partnership - Agricultural productivity and sustainability

The EESC opinion on the present European Innovation Partnership (EIP) on "Agricultural productivity and sustainability".

➤ <http://bit.ly/Wmb7UJ>

#### ■ Cod stocks and fisheries exploiting these stocks/ Long-term plan

Opinion on the proposal establishing a long-term plan for cod stocks and the fisheries exploiting these stocks

➤ <http://bit.ly/T5tkm9>

### UPCOMING EVENTS

09 JAN 2013

MEETING OF THE NAT SECTION

28 JAN 2013

SDO MEETING

Sustainable Development Observatory

29 JAN 2013

MEETING OF THE NAT SECTION

### PAST EVENTS

18 DECEMBER

PUBLIC HEARING

Rio+20 follow-up: European civil society contributions to the Commission's consultation

➤ <http://bit.ly/ThbmO1>

06 DECEMBER

EESC SIDE EVENT (COP18 - DOHA)

Biomass for climate-smart energy: opportunity or risk?

➤ <http://bit.ly/V3hYj7>

24 OCTOBER 2012

PUBLIC HEARING

Prevention and reduction of food losses and food waste

➤ <http://bit.ly/TgB4xx>

### DEBATE ON AGRIFOOD CHAIN

On January 9th, the NAT Section will host a public debate on the current state of commercial relations between food suppliers and the large retail sector:

■ "Agrifood chain: legislation or autoregulation?"

➤ <http://bit.ly/RBZEyU>

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