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Inter-Parliamentary Conference on Agriculture.

“Securing the future of farming, from policy to practice. Generational renewal, women in agriculture and food security.”

Agenda – Programme

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26 – 27 July 2026

Printworks Conference Centre, Dublin Castle

Securing the future of farming, from policy to practice. Generational renewal, women in agriculture and food security

Sunday 26th July

From 15:00 -18:30 Arrival of delegations and registration at conference hotels

18:30 Departure by bus from hotels to Dublin Castle

19:00-22:00 Welcome dinner, hosted by the Houses of the Oireachtas in St. Patrick's Hall, Dublin Castle

Welcome by **Aindrias Moynihan T.D.** Cathaoirleach (Chair) of the Joint Committee on Agriculture and Food

22:00 Departure to hotels by bus

Monday 27th July

08:00-09:00 Arrival and registration at the conference venue

09:00-09:15 Opening remarks

Welcome by **representative** from the Houses of the Oireachtas
[TBC]

Introduction by **Aindrias Moynihan T.D.** (moderator), Cathaoirleach (Chair) of the Joint Committee on Agriculture and Food

09:15-10:40 Session I: "Overview of policies regarding women and generational renewal in farming, across Europe."

09:15-09:45 Presentations from panelists

Ms. Esther de Lange, Head of the Cabinet of Commissioner Christophe Hansen, EU Commission

Representative from the EU Parliament **[TBC]**

Ms. Sinéad McPhillips, Secretary General of the Irish Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine

09:45-10:40 Debate and comments from the floor

10:40-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-12:30 Session II “Example of best practice in countries with successful policies in regard to generational renewal / encouraging women into farming”

11:00-11:30 Presentations from panelists

Mr. Johannes Abentung, Secretary General of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Climate and Environmental Protection, Regions and Water Management, Austria

Mr. Rolandas Taraškevičius, Deputy Minister at the Ministry of Agriculture, Republic of Lithuania

Mr. Peter Meedendorp, President of the European Council of Farmers (CEJA)

11:30-12:30 Debate and comments from the floor

12:30-12:45 Family photo

12:45-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:45 Session III “Lived experience – how generational renewal and involvement of women in agriculture is vital to EU food security”

14:00-14:40 Presentations from panelists

Ms. Josephine O’Neill, President of Macra na Feirme

Professor Frank O’Mara, Director of Teagasc

Ms. Hannah Quinn-Mulligan, Director Tory Hill House Farm, Co. Limerick

Dr. Maura Farrell, Professor in the school of Geography, Archaeology and Irish Studies, University of Galway

14:40-15:45 Debate and comments from the floor

15:45-16:00 Closing remarks

By **Aindrias Moynihan T.D.**, Cathaoirleach of the Joint Committee on Agriculture and Food

16.00 End of conference