

Agricultural Policy Forum 2016:
***Evidence – Based Agricultural Policy: Enabling Environment for Developing the
Agricultural Sector in the South East Europe***

11 – 14 October 2016
Tirana, Albania

PROGRAM

Tuesday, October 11th, 2016

19:00 Welcoming reception

Wednesday, October 12th, 2016

- 09:00 – 09:10 Official address – Dr. **Edmond Panariti**, Minister
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration of the
Republic of Albania
- 09:10 – 09:20 Official address – Ms. **Romana Vlahutin**, Head of Delegation
European Union Delegation to Albania
- 09:20 – 9:30 Official address – Mr. **Boban Ilic**, Secretary General
Regional Rural Development Standing Working Group (SWG) in SEE
- 09:30 – 09:40 Introduction to the APF 2016 objectives and the program
- 09:40 – 10:10 EU market and trade policy - impact on the SEE countries – Mr. **Pierluigi
Londero**, Deputy Head of Unit, Agricultural Modelling and Outlook, DG
Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission
- 10:10 – 10:40 Policy orientation in the SEE countries in their approximation toward the
CAP – Dr. **Edvin Zhllima**, Agriculture University of Tirana, Albania
- 10:40 – 11:00 Coffee Break**
- 11:00 – 11:30 Characterization and mapping of areas with natural constraints (ANC) in the
SEE countries, compatible with the EU methodology and standards – Dr.
Ordan Cukaliev, Faculty of Agriculture and Food, Skopje, Macedonia
- 11:30 – 12:00 IPARD and rural development policy evaluation – Ms. **Iwona Lisztwan**,
IPARD Programme Manager, DG Agriculture and Rural Development,
European Commission

- 12:00 – 12:30 The challenge of the evidence – based policy planning in light of the strategic planning process for the integrated economic development of cross-border rural areas. The Case of Western Balkans ABDA Regions - Dr. **Suzana Djorgjevic – Milosevic**, Rural Development Expert
- 12:30 – 12:40 Presentation of a short promo film on pilot measures implemented in the cross-border pilot regions; Facts and Figures from the Pilot Measures
- 12:40 – 12:50 Introduction to the working groups topics
- 12:50 – 13:00 Family Photo
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch**
- 14:00 – 18:00 Working Groups (Coffee break 16:00 – 16:30)**
- WG 1 *Area - based development approach in the Western Balkans: a tool for rural development with upscaling potential*
- WG 2 *Natural resources management in the frame of environment protection policies and sustainable rural development in the Western Balkans*
- WG 3 *IPARD and rural development policy evaluation: main concepts, on-going evaluation, policy follow-up*
- WG 4 *Strengthening the civil society and promoting multi-national exchange in rural development on regional and EU level*
- 20:00 Dinner

Thursday, October 13th, 2016

- 09:00 – 10:00 Finalization of the working group discussions
- 10:00 – 10:20 Presentation of working group results WG 1
- 10:20 – 10:40 Presentation of working group results WG 2
- 10:40 – 11:00 Presentation of working group results WG 3
- 11:00 – 11:20 Presentation of working group results WG 4





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11:20 – 11:45	Coffee Break
11:45 – 12:30	Formulation of the Tirana Agenda 2016
12:30 – 13:00	Official closing of the Forum
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 19:00	Field trip
19:00	Dinner

Friday, October 14th, 2016

Departure of participants

