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**Meeting of the EFFAT Executive Committee
BRUSSELS, 03 and 04 March 2020**

Agenda item 7: **Political Framework and follow up on Action Plan 2020-2021**



E) AGRICULTURE

Decision: The Executive Committee takes note of the reports and endorses the documents presented.

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Activity report and work update March 2020

EFFAT Agriculture Sector

September 2019 - February 2020

Internal

Preparation and implementation of the 2019 General Assembly of the sector with board elections and definition of the priorities for the 2019 EFFAT Congress

Agricultural Policy

Presentation of EFFAT demands at the meeting of the CAP Working Group of the Civil Dialogue of DG AGRI; meeting with the Cabinet of Commissioner Wojciechowski; participation in the conference "Agricultural Outlook" of DG Agriculture; meeting with MEPs from S&D, EEP and Greens.

Climate Change

Preparation of a 1st presentation on the impact of climate change on employment in the sector; presentation of the EFFAT demands for the ETUC workshop on adaptation and climate change; presentation of the EFFAT conclusions "Agriculture and Climate Change" at the Swiss Embassy to the European Union; intersectoral vote on the consequences of climate change.

Digitization

Participation in the DSVAE event on "Digitisation and Work 4.0"; participation in the ETUC meeting with the European Industry Federations on "Digitisation"; implementation of the sector's "Digitisation" steering group with development of the project objectives and resource and time planning.

Migrant Workers

Presentation of the EFFAT activities on advice and assistance to migrant workers to the Steering Committee of the European Members of the ISSA (Social Security); presentation of the EFFAT activities on advice and assistance to migrant workers to the Annual Congress of the European Network of Agricultural Social Security Systems (ENASP); participation in the Klim_AGS project of IG BAU, EVW and SVLFG (advice and assistance to migrant workers on occupational health and safety in heat and UV radiation); meeting in the German Agricultural ministry on information and advice to migrant workers (management level); participation in the ETUI event on migrants.

Exchange with member organisations

Participation in the final conference "Social Dialogue in Agriculture" of the FAI-CISL and meetings with Italian member organisations; participation in the agricultural meeting and in the federal section of IG BAU; reception of the Austrian Trade Union School and report on the activities of EFFAT; participation in the agricultural conference of OSPZV-ASO.

Social Policy

Participation in the World Social Security Forum (ISSA); participation in the ETUC working group (social protection); participation in the "European Platform against Undocumented Work" of DG EMPL (from 2000: part of the European Labour Authority); meeting with the ETUC on further work in the European Platform against Undocumented Work.

Health and safety

Presentation of the EFFAT demands on cooperation with the European Occupational Safety and Health Agency OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health in SMEs in the sectors of agriculture and construction);



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participation in the Occupational Safety and Health Summit 2019 of the European Occupational Safety and Health Agency OSHA (preparation of cooperation in the OiRA programme) Participation in the SVLFG plant protection symposium (glyphosate); participation in the pesticide workshop of DG SANCO; participation in the OSHA video conference on risk assessment in agriculture; participation in the ETUC working group on occupational health and safety; meeting with the ETUC on standardization.

Social dialogue

Plenary meeting of the Committee for Social Dialogue in Agriculture in Europe (TPWCD; European Semester; ESF+; Labour costs, Health and safety); meeting with the Confederation of European Agricultural Contractors (CETTAAR) on future cooperation; meeting with the new GEOPA secretariat.

International and trade policy

Participation in the IUF Global Flower Workers' Conference and presentation of EFFAT's activities on social labels; presentation of EFFAT's demands on EU negotiations with MERCOSUR at the meeting of the Working Group on International Aspects of the Civil Dialogue Group of DG Agriculture; meeting with the Embassies of Australia and New Zealand on future trade relations.

Miscellaneous

Presentation of the sector's demands in the national implementations of the European Seasonal Workers Directive (report from the Commission to the Parliament and the Council); participation in Agritechnica (preparation of the 2021 General Assembly); participation in the "International Green Week" (meetings with politicians from Europe and Member States, trade unionists, representatives of agriculture, forestry and horticulture and representatives of civil society).