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1. **Adoption of the agenda** 11951/24

The agenda was adopted.

Non-discussion items (I)

2. **Summary record of the 1724th meeting of the SCA** 11758/24

The SCA approved the summary record.

Discussion items (II)

3. **Viability of rural areas – generational renewal and demographic aspects** 11666/24

Preparation of the Council debate

To prepare the “Agriculture and Fisheries” Council on 15 July 2024, the SCA took note of the information set out in the Presidency note. It also took note of delegations’ and the Commission’s preliminary views on the three questions suggested by the Presidency to steer the ministerial discussion, as set out in that note. The SCA endorsed the three suggested questions.

4. **Market situation: EU milk sector – challenges and future perspectives** 11798/24

Policy debate

The SCA took note of delegations’ positions on the challenges and future perspectives for the milk sector and also of the Commission’s contribution.

Any other business

5. Organisation of future work

The Presidency informed the SCA about the next SCA meeting on 9 September and the "Agriculture and Fisheries" Council meeting on 15 July 2024

Regarding that Council meeting,

- Austria requested a public item under “any other business”, on “European Agriculture and Forestry: the backbones for a competitive, sovereign and prosperous EU”;
- Poland requested a public item under “any other business”, on a “Joint Declaration of the Ministers of Agriculture and Ministers of Research of the BIOEAST Initiative's Member States”.

The SCA agreed that these AOB items would be taken in public session in accordance with Article 8(2) of the rules of procedure of the Council.
