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COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(Agriculture and Fisheries)
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1. Adoption of the agenda

The Council adopted the agenda set out in document 11961/24.

2. Approval of 'A' items

Non-legislative list

12053/24

The Council adopted all "A" items listed in the document above, including all linguistic COR and REV documents presented for adoption.

Statements to these items are set out in the Addendum.

Non-legislative activities

3. Work programme of the Presidency



Presentation by the Presidency

The Chair presented the Work Programme of the Hungarian Presidency concerning the Agriculture and Fisheries sectors.

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Non-legislative activities

4. Viability of rural areas – generational renewal and demographic aspects
Exchange of views 12040/24

5. Trade-related agricultural issues
Information from the Commission 12156/24
Exchange of views

Any other business

6. Agriculture

- a) **European Agriculture and Forestry: the backbone of a competitive, sovereign and prosperous EU**  12116/24
Information from Austria, supported by Czechia, Finland, Greece, Lithuania, Poland and Slovakia

The Council took note of the information from Austria as well as of delegations' and the Commission's comments.


- b) **Outcomes of the Policy Forum on Advancing Research and Innovation in Central and Eastern Europe within the Framework of Sustainable Natural Resource Management, Food Systems Security, and Biomanufacturing Policy Development (Brussels, 4 July 2024)**  12036/24
Information from the Presidency

The Council took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the results of the Policy Forum on Advancing Research and Innovation in Central and Eastern Europe within the Framework of Sustainable Natural Resources Management, Food Systems Security and Biomanufacturing Policy Development, and by Poland on the related Joint Declaration of the Ministers of Agriculture and Ministers of Research of the BIOEAST Initiative's Member States. It also took note of the comments from the Commission and other delegations.

- c) **Joint Declaration of the Ministers of Agriculture and Ministers of Research of the BIOEAST Initiative's Member States**  12133/24
Information from Poland, on behalf of Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, and Slovenia

Item 6 (c) was taken together with item 6 (b).

d) Improvements needed in the harmonisation of criteria for the management of European programmes for the promotion of agricultural products

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Information from Spain, supported by Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czechia, Italy, Poland and Portugal

The Council took note of the information provided by Spain. It also took note of delegations' and of the Commission's comments.



Public debate proposed by the Presidency (Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)
