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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Special Committee on Agriculture
Subject:	High-level dialogue on agriculture between the EU and Turkey (Ankara, 11-12 May 2022)
	- Information from the Commission

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High-level dialogue on agriculture between the EU and Turkey (Ankara, 11-12 May 2022)

The first high-level dialogue on agriculture between the EU and Turkey will take place in Ankara on 11 and 12 May 2022.

Commissioner Wojciechowski will meet the new Minister of Agriculture and Forestry Mr Vahit Kirişçi to discuss issues related to food security, agricultural reforms and rural development strategies, trade in agri-food products and IPARD support to Turkey.

The dialogue aims to reinforce cooperation between the EU and Turkey on agricultural matters and to develop a "green alliance" with Turkey in the context of the Green Deal and the Farm to Fork Strategy.

11-12 May 2022 Ankara, TURKEY	Agenda		
DAY 1 – 11 May			
16:00- 16:30	Arrival and welcome coffee		
16:30 – 17:00	Opening words by Co-Chairs: • Minister Vahit KIRIŞÇI • Commissioner Janusz WOJCIECHOWSKI		
	PART I – Sustainable Agriculture for Food Security		
	Agricultural reforms and rural development strategies in Turkey and EU		
17:00 – 17:45	Turkey and the EU will share their experience and reinforce cooperation with a view to ease the transition to a sustainable food system while ensuring food security. It is clear that the impacts of Russian invasion of Ukraine on food security of the wider neighborhood and globally will be on top of the agenda.		
	The EU will present the new EU Common Agricultural Policy, also in the context of the European Green Deal and the Commission's Communication on food security.		
	Turkey will share the principles of its agricultural strategy (11th Development Plan 2019-2023 and National Pathway of Turkey Towards Sustainable Food Systems – adopted under UNFSS).		
17:45 – 18:00	Coffee Break		
	PART II TRADE Trade in agrifood products between Turkey and the EU		
18:00 – 18:45	 Trade patterns Beef and poultry meat trade Opportunities (TR: Evaluation and improvement of organic product trade) Sustainability criteria and labelling in food supply chains. 		

	PART III IPARD
18:45 – 19:30	Exchange of views on how IPARD may contribute to sustainability of Turkish agriculture, including promotion of environmentally friendly and organic farming.
	Management and results of IPARD programme 2014-2020, Turkey's national contribution and achievements.
	Preparations for the implementation of IPARD programme 2021-2027.
19:30	Press statements

DAY 2 – 12 May			
FIELD TRIP			
Indicative timing:			
08:30 – 12:30	VISIT OF PROJECT SUPPORTED UNDER IPARD [Venue to be indicated]		
12:30	End of the programme		