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TO:	The Presidents of Copa and Cogeca Member Organisations
COPY:	The Members of the POCC/CCC The National Offices
FROM:	Secretary General, Pekka Pesonen
DATE:	4 June 2012

Re: Invitation to the Commission Conference “The CAP towards 2020 – taking stock with civil society” on 13 July 2012

Dear Sir/Madam,

Hereby I would like to inform you on the Commission Conference “The CAP towards 2020 – taking stock with civil society”, which will be held in the Charlemagne building, 170 rue de la Loi, 1049 – Brussels, Belgium, on Friday 13 July 2012 from 9.00 a.m. – 18.00 p.m.

This conference will provide a forum for civil society to debate the reform proposals for the CAP towards 2020 adopted by the Commission on 12 October 2011 and to discuss the degree to which they contribute to meeting the challenges identified during the public debate which was launched by Commissioner Dacian Cioloş in 2010, and which culminated in the summing-up conference “*The CAP post 2013*” on 19/20 July 2010.

In particular, the following issues will be addressed:

- To what extent the future CAP and the proposed combination of policy tools will contribute to food security
- To what extent the new CAP will contribute to a more sustainable management of natural resources and to mitigation and adaptation to climate change
- To what extent the new CAP will contribute to a balanced territorial development of European agriculture and rural areas

Kindly note that for the plenary session of the conference, interpretation in all twenty two languages will be available. For the workshops, English, French, German, Italian, Spanish and Polish will be available.

The European Commission has allocated 40 non-reimbursed seats to Copa-Cogeca. In order to distribute the seats equally amongst our different member organisations throughout the EU-27, I would like to ask you to decide per **national delegation** (i.e. not per member organisation), who will be nominated to represent your national delegation in the conference.

Considering the foregoing, I would like to ask you to **nominate three representatives per national delegation in order of preference** in order for the Secretariat to determine how the seats can be allocated amongst Copa-Cogeca member organisations. I trust that you will be able to reach an agreement within your national delegation on deciding who will be nominated.

Please **fill in the enclosed participation form and send it back** to the Secretariat **by Thursday 14th June 2012 by noon at the latest** so that we can inform the organization of the conference in time.

You will be informed of who has been included in the **COPA-COGECA delegation**.

Please consult Agri-Info for the draft programme with reference **PAC(12)4124 (rev.1)** and other relevant documents in the PAC section. More information on the conference can be found on the website http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/events/cap-conference-2012_en.htm Furthermore, the Secretariat is at your disposal for questions and information as well.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pekka Pesonen', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Pekka Pesonen
Secretary General

ATTENDANCE FORM

PARTICIPATION TO CONFERENCE “THE CAP TOWARDS 2020 - TAKING STOCK WITH CIVIL SOCIETY” ON 13 JULY 2012, BRUSSELS

PLEASE RETURN TO EMMANUELLA YETNA BY 14TH JUNE 2012
(noon at the latest)

BY E-MAIL: ***emmanuella.yetna@copa-cogeca.eu***

AND/OR BY FAX: **00. 32. 22. 87. 27. 00**

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