

Biological Control Conference

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Programme

14:00-14:30 **Technical preparation and virtual arrival of participants**

Start of the Conference

14:30 **Welcome by Portuguese Presidency**

14:40 **European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization** work on Biological control agents
Mr. Nico Horn, Director General

15:00 An industry organisation perspective: **IBMA** – International Biocontrol Manufacturers Association
Mr. Herman Van Mellaert, IBMA President

15:20 Farmers perspective: **COPA COGECA**
Mr. Pekka Pesonen, Secretary General

16:00 *Coffee Break*

16:15 The **European Parliament** perspective regarding the future of crop protection in EU
Francisco Guerreiro, Vice Chair of Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

16:40 A Member State perspective:
France, Mr. Bruno FERREIRA Diretor General (Direction Générale de l'Alimentation)

Spain, Valentin Almansa, Director General (Dirección General de Sanidad de la Producción Agraria)

17:10 Presentation of BCA MS survey **DGAV** – Portugal
Ms. Paula Cruz de Carvalho, Deputy Diretor General

17.25 Debate

18:00 **Closing Remarks**

Deputy Director General DG SANTE Ms. Claire Bury

Portuguese Minister of Agriculture Ms. Maria do Céu Antunes

End of the Conference