



# CEETAR Activity Report

June 2019- Sept. 2020

# Facing uncertainty

Launch of the smart technology voucher +  
CAP + Green Deal



EU Forestry industry: human dimension  
& sustainable management



Machinery: common EU driving  
license (ongoing discussion)



COVID-19 Crisis

Continuity of Single Market

For Machinery maintenance

For Services Deliveries

# Smart Technology Vouchers

- ▶ CEETTAR and CEMA (the Machine constructors association) jointly believe that the new Common Agricultural Policy CAP should stimulate the use of precision technologies by beneficiaries;
- ▶ The new Common Agriculture Policy proposal grants more responsibilities to Member States: they should design their future national strategic plans so that **EU farmers of all sizes can access** the precision technologies provided by rural, agricultural and forestry contractors;
- ▶ In line with these goals CEETTAR and CEMA jointly propose the CAP to set up a new and innovative incentive in the form of a “**smart technologies voucher**” to be allocated to farmers and to be released by contractors.

# Forestry

- CEETAR advocates adding a human dimension to the future strategy. As forest volumes are increasing in Europe, the new forestry strategy should contribute to improving the image of the sector. More public support for the training system in the forestry sector is thus necessary to create professionals who work safely;
- Sustainable management of EU forests: support measures should help entrepreneurs to combat climate change, support biodiversity and the rural economy.

# MEETINGS

- **Standing Committee on Mobile Machinery:**
  - 13 November 2018 (Agritechnica, Hannover)
  - 11 March 2020 (Brussels)
- **Standing Committee on Forestry:**
  - 10 October 2019 (Copenhagen)
- **Management Committee:**
  - 30 October 2019 (Brussels)
  - 18 December 2019 (Hannover, BLU)
  - 4 March 2020 (Brussels)

# NEW: Head of Secretariat Meetings

- New meeting format composed of the head of the CEETAR members organisations secretariat;
- Exchanges of view on the organisations' business models, affiliation, lobbying activities and challenges;
- First meeting on 24 October 2019 in Stockholm: + new meeting on 15 October 2020 (online meeting)



# COVID-19 crisis: what does it mean for contractors ?

- We need to **safeguard and develop a well-functioning EU Single Market for contractors**: free movement of good and free movement of workers for services deliveries and machinery maintenance;
- We need a reversal of the unfavourable treatment of CAP in the EU budget proposal. We also need a well-financed crisis reserve in the CAP, which makes use of exceptional measures, insurance and mutual funds;
- We need to make the Green Deal a reality and build the post-Covid 19 future-fit Europe.

# Policy Challenges

- ▶ EU Green Deal: invest in a new competitive, sustainable and inclusive rural economy
- ▶ Farm-to-fork Strategy and CEETAR position on Plant Protection Products regulations (use of pesticides);
- ▶ CAP reform: the new CAP will enter into force in 2023;
- ▶ Reform of the Machinery Directive;
- ▶ Possible work on driving licenses for agriculture and forestry machinery;
- ▶ New EU Forestry Strategy and biodiversity strategy:
- ▶ Forestry sector role essential in future EU decisions in particular in the new EU Forest Strategy post 2020.



# Secretariat

- CEETTAR Secretariat moved offices (New offices: Anspachlaan 111 b4 - 1000 Brussels)
- New offices have a new meeting room for CEETTAR meetings;
- Work on the possibility to combine meeting in the new CEETTAR meeting room with online meetings for participants who cannot travel (online meetings only until the end of 2020);
- CEETTAR old files will be transferred to the European University Institute for Historical Archives of the EU (Florence, Italy).

