

Meeting report, Farm Europe, 27 March 2015

At their request, I met Mr Yves Madre and Mr Luc Vernet, from the very recently established think tank "Farm Europe". Mr Lars Hoelgaard (former DDG of DG AGRI) and Mr Joao Pacheco (former ambassador in Brazil and DDG as well) are also active members of this think tank.

As a newly established organisation, they are currently building their professional network and look for partners in and outside of Brussels. Their first public meeting will take place on 29. April with Mr Joorst Korte (DDG of DG AGRI) to look at the general political challenges for the agri sector in the coming years.

They are also planning to look at trade issues, including TTIP in the coming months. I attach their work program to this report. In the meantime I received and accepted an invitation to their first event.