BFFE Conference

on Agricultural Water Protection and Sustainable Food Production

Venue: Hanasaari Conference Center

Hanasaarenranta 5 Espoo, Finland





Wednesday 25 February 2015

11:00 Registration, welcome coffee

Chair Liisa Pietola, BFFE/MTK

12:00 Opening of the conference

Minister of Environment *Sanni Grahn-Laasonen*, Finland

President of MTK Juha Marttila, MTK

12:30 Need to reduce the nutrient load in the Baltic Sea

Head of Unit *Anders Alm*, HELCOM, Swedish Ministry of the Environment

13:00 Possibilities to reduce emissions from agriculture

Chairman of the Board Ilkka Herlin, BSAG

13:30 - Coffee break Chair Rikard Korkman, BFFE/SLC

14:00 Nutrients and eutrophication in the Baltic Sea: Past, present and future status

Chief Scientist *Jesper H. Andersen*, NIVA Denmark Water Research

14:45 Natural nitrogen removal in the sea: an ecosystem service maintenance and troubleshooting

Academy Research Fellow *Susanna Hietanen*, University of Helsinki

15:15 The implementation of WFD in the Baltic Sea Region

Policy Officer *Claire McCamphill*, DG Environment, European Commission

15:45 The Nitrates Directive implementation

Policy officer *Marco Bonetti*, DG Environment, European Commission

16:15 Discussion and short summary

16:45 **Preparation of the BFFE declaration** (agricultural unions)

17:30 - Break -

19:00 **Dinner at Hanasaari Restaurant Johannes**

Thursday 26 February 2015

Chair Peter Wallenberg, BFFE/LRF

9:00 Cost-efficient protection of the Baltic Sea

Professor *Markku Ollikainen*, University of Helsinki

9:30 Norwegian farmers view on the implementation of WFD and plans to reduce nutrient leaching

Senior Advisor *Finn Erlend Ødegård*, Norwegian Farmers Union

10:00 Water protection in the new Rural Development Programmes

Senior Policy Advisor *Tania Runge*, Copa-Cogeca

10:45 Land use optimization and sustainable agricultural intensification

Professor *Pirjo Peltonen-Sainio*, Natural Resources Institute Finland (Luke)

11:30 - Lunch -

12:30 Russian view of agri-environmental issues

President *Aleksandr Jurjevich Bykov*, Farmers Union of Saint-Petersburg Region

13:00 Resource efficiency: the key for sustainability in agriculture

Vice-President Werner Hilse, German Farmers' Organisation (DBV)

13:30 Discussion and the declaration of the conference

Head of the Environmental Affairs *Liisa Pietola*, MTK

13:45 Summary and closing of the conference

Director Seppo Kallio, NBC/MTK

14:00 - Coffee -





Baltic Farmers' Forum on Environment (BFFE) was launched in April 1998 as an initiative from the Nordic Farmers Council (NBC). The aim is to strengthen the agri-environmental work among the farmer organizations.

More information: www.mtk.fi/bffe.