



Bordeaux, 13/12/2016

Dear Mr /Ms President,

I am glad to announce the first annual plenary meeting of AREPO in 2017 that will be held

on January 24th and 25th 2017
at the common office of Emilia-Romagna, Hessen and Aquitaine,
Rue Montoyer 21, Brussels

TUESDAY 24 JANUARY

19:30 - 22:00: Welcome dinner at the Restaurant [Volle Gas](#), Place Fernand Cocq 21, 1050 Bruxelles

WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY

The General Assembly will be held on Wednesday 25th January from 10:00 to 17:00.

All the meeting will be translated into French, Italian, Spanish and English.

The agenda will be as follows:

Welcome coffee: 10:00 - 10:30

Statutory part: 10:30 - 11:30

- Presentation of the agenda for the GA
- Report of the President
- Presentation of the financial accounts for 2016
- Vote on the contribution for 2017
- Proposal for the next GA, Ms **Theano Vrentzou-Skordalaki**, Deputy Governor of Primary Sector Economy, Region of Crete

Thematic part – Presentation of the activity report for 2016 - 11:30 - 13:00

- Speech by Mr **Gianni Fava** – Regional Minister for Agriculture, Lombardia Region
- Simplification and modernisation of CAP
- Presentation of the results of AREPO survey on RDP measure 3 on quality schemes
- Update on TTIP
- Latest news on GIs for non-agricultural products
- Update on promotion policy: new work programme for 2017
- European projects : Interreg AGROSMARTcoop
- Regulation on Organic Agriculture

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Lunch Break: 13:00 - 14:30

Thematic part – Research and Innovation: 14:30 - 17:00

- Agricultural Research and Innovation and promotion of GIs in Emilia-Romagna Region, Ms **Simona Caselli**, Minister for Agriculture, Emilia-Romagna Region
- Signature of the cooperation agreement AREPO-SYAL
- Presentation of an action plan for AREPO scientific committee
- Presentation of the results of AREPO survey on RDP measure 16.01 on operational groups
- Presentation of the H2020 project Strenght2food, Mr **Filippo Arfini**, University of Parma, Italy
- Any other business

Conclusion: 17:00

We kindly ask you to confirm your participation to the dinner and to the General Assembly before January 13th to facilitate the organization of that day. I remind you that, with the exception of special cases agreed with the Secretary General, travel and accommodation are at participant's expenses.

Yours Sincerely,

For **Vincent Labarthe**
President of AREPO

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Laurent GOMEZ, SG