



XXXIII EURAGRI Conference

**Agriculture, food,
forest, fisheries:
How to CONNECT
our research with society,
or society with research?**

23-24 September 2019, Ghent, Belgium

Sunday 22 September

19:30 Visit to Ghent historical center followed by dinner at [Pakhuis](#) (at own expenses)

Monday 23 September (at ILVO Plant Research Dpt. - Caritasstraat 39, 9090 Melle)

8:00 Pick up at Poel Ghent. Bus to ILVO, Plant Research Department (Caritasstraat 39, 9090 Melle)

8:30 Registration open

9:00 Opening speeches

9:00 *'A mirror of and for researchers'*, Joris Relaes, Administrator General ILVO

9:15 *'Connecting research centers in Flanders'*, Nadine Buys, (KULeuven), President Agrolink Flanders

9:30 *'Societal impact has sizes and shapes'*, Gerry Boyle (Teagasc), President EURAGRI

9:45 *'Role of multifunctional approaches in the European Innovation Agenda'* (reporting from recent EURAGRI workshop), Bettina Heimann & Uno Svedin, (EURAGRI)

10:00 Keynote session I: Drivers for dialogue

10:00 *'Where are we coming from – where are we going to?'* Yves Seghers, Director Centre for Agrarian History in Flanders (KULeuven BE)

10:25 *'Perspectives from The Lancet report: the ultimate societal challenge of feeding 10 billion humans, with care for their health and the planet'* Lina Gordon, Director Stockholm Resilience Center

10:50 Questions and answers

- 11:00 *Coffee*
- 11:20 Keynote session II: Changing the ecosystem surrounding research**
- 11:20 *'The multi-actor approach within the Agricultural Knowledge Innovation System', Inge Van Oost, DG AGRI (EC)*
- 11:40 *'Science for a better life, can we (re)connect to society?' Marc Sneyders, Sustainability and strategy manager, Bayer*
- 12:00 *'The farmers' dreams about an optimal Agricultural Knowledge Innovation System', Alan Jagoe, Agriaware (tbc.)*
- 12.20 Questions and answers
- 12:30 Lunch** at the ILVO Plant Dpt. (Caritasstraat 39, 9090 Melle)
project posters, networking, buffet
- 13.45 BUS Excursion ILVO research facilities (Food Dpt. & Animal Dpt.)**
- 17:30 BUS Transport to Brewery Huyghe (Melle)
- 18:00 Visit to Brewery Huyghe – Delirium tasting (draught beer)**
or EURAGRI General Assembly (members only)
- 19:30 BUS Transport to the Culture and Convention Center Het Pand (Onderbergen 1, 9000 Gent)
- 20:00 Dinner (& surprise act)**
In: Culture and Convention Center Het Pand (Onderbergen 1, 9000 Gent)

Tuesday 24 September (at [PAC](#) - Provincial Administrative Center 'Het Zuid' Woodrow Wilsonplein 2 9000 Gent)

*The building is in the very city center of Ghent, all means of public transport available, there is **no shuttle bus service**, neither in the morning nor at noon*

- 8:30 *Welcome*
- 9:00 Keynote session III: Stakeholders and science, setting the scene**
- 9:00 *'Expectations from research to meet future demands seen from the BIOEAST (Central Eastern European Initiative for Knowledge-based Agriculture, Aquaculture and Forestry in Bioeconomy) perspective.'* Barna Kovács, Permanent Representation of Hungary to the EU
- 9:25 *'How to make a game changer from approaches like systems thinking and co-designing of research and innovation agendas?'* Elke Rogge and Fleur Marchand, Scientific Directors Dpt. Agriculture & Society (ILVO)
- 10:05 Questions and answers
- 10:15 *Coffee*

10.40 Stakeholder voices

- 10:40 Balázs Fatér (herbs grower, Hungary): *'Agricultural Innovation investments, yes but...'*
- 10:50 Lars Croket (Leaks farmer Belgium): *'How deep is the water between research results and implementation?'*
- 11:00 Ursula Hudson Slow Food (International grass root organisation): *'Activism, philosophy, ideals and the right way to produce knowledge'*
- 11:10 Caroline Huyghe, Rikolto (International NGO for sustainable food-systems - Belgium): *'Global challenges and the (mis)fit with research'*
- 11:20 Veerle Rijckaert, Flanders' FOOD (Food processing industries): *"Powerful incentives for innovation, both collective and individual".*

11:30 Wrap Up panel discussion (moderator Greet Riebbels, Communications Dpt. ILVO)

Gerry Boyle (Teagasc Ireland & EURAGRI)
Christian Huyghe (INRA France)
Esther Esteban Rodrigo (INIA Spain)
Ülle Jaakma (Estonian University of Life Sciences)
Wayne Powell (Scotland's Rural College)
István Balla (NAIC Hungary)
Lars Croket (Leaks farmer Belgium)
Veerle Rijckaert Flanders'FOOD (Food processing industries Flanders)
Ursula Hudson, Slow Food (International Grass root organisation)
Caroline Huyghe, Rikolto (NGO Belgium)

12:30 Rounding up

by Joris Relaes & Gerry Boyle

13.00 Closing of conference & reception

How to register?

Here: <https://www.eventbrite.nl/e/2019-the-xxxiii-euragri-conference-registration-62428880462>