

The role of the farming community in strengthening water management in the Baltic Sea Region?

The Waterdrive project kindly invites you to an zoom meeting aiming to discuss farmers and agricultural advisors insights to strengthened water management in agricultural landscapes around the baltic Sea Region.

Wednesday June 16, 09.00 – 11.00 CET (ZOOM)

Why and how

The Waterdrive project has developed tools and recommendations to move decision making closer to the farming community. The strategy is to implement measures, actions and policies which boosts win-win solutions for environment and agriculture. The farming community play a key role in this strategy and the meeting aims to learn more about the preferences and opportunities for change. We will have inputs from three speakers. Riina Maruštšak, Estonian Chamber of Agriculture and Commerce, Kasia Boczek, Deputy director of the Polish Agricultural Advisory Service (CDR) and Otto von Arnold, farmer at Jordberga in southern Sweden. We will exchange ideas and thoughts across borders and also use the Zoom “voting system” to find out your priorities.

Invited

All stakeholders with emphasis on farmers, farmers organisations and agricultural advisory services from countries around Baltic Sea. Stakeholders from authorities and other interest organisations are also very welcome to participate. The invitation is distributed to the Waterdrive stakeholder list. If you want to include persons that has not received the invitation yet please send their names and emails to communication officer Zanda Melnalksne on mail zanda@zemniekusaeima.lv.

Very welcome and please see the program on next page!

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Program June 16, 0900-1100 (Central European Time)

Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Finland: 1000-1200

Russia: 1200-1400

Poland, Denmark and Sweden: 0900-1100

Central European Time Programme

0900 – 0930

Introduction of Waterdrive tools and recommendations.

0930 – 1000

What is the role of agriculture and the farmer in future water management?

Riina Maruštšak, Estonian Chamber of Agriculture and Commerce,

Kasia Boczek, Deputy director of the Polish Agricultural Advisory Service (CDR)

Otto von Arnold, farmer at Jordberga in southern Sweden.

1000 - 1045

Discussion and “voting”

1. Which measures are most interesting for the farmer
2. What key issues motivates the farmer for improved water management
3. What is the role of the farmer in future water management
4. What are the changes needed to significantly increase involvement of the farming community.

1045 – 1100 Wrap-up and next steps.

Preliminary program

Presentations of key products and findings from Waterdrive

The role of the farmer and advisors in future water management – invited speakers

Voting on key issues

Moderated discussion and findings

Conclusions and next steps

Very much welcome!

Denmark, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Finland, Russia and Sweden.

