



oriGIn EU Constitutive General Assembly & related GIs events

20 and 21 March 2018, Brussels

Tuesday 20 March

oriGIn EU Constitutive General Assembly, European Parliament, place du Luxembourg (working language: English)

- 11.00 Meeting point at the accreditation centre of the European Parliament
- 11.15 – 12.00 Light lunch at the European Parliament's bar
- 12.00 – 13.00 Part I, with the participation of members of the European Parliament Agricultural Committee
- Introduction, **Paolo de Castro** (S&D, Italy), and **Michel Dantin** (EPP, France)
 - oriGIn EU priorities and strategies, **Claude Vermot-Desroches**, President of oriGIn, and **Massimo Vittori**, Director of oriGIn
 - Debate
- 13.00 – 15.00 Part II: Discussion and approval of oriGIn EU Statutes and strategy

Informal best practices exchange, Thon Hotel EU bar, Rue de la Loi 75, 1040 Brussels (working language: English, French, Spanish, depending on the groups)

- 15.30 – 18.30 Participants will be divided in the following groups:
- Promotion programs,
 - Development of and priorities set-up by the producers for the GI in the coming years,
 - Modification of the specifications,
 - Management of production volumes for cheeses and hams, including the relations with the supervisory authorities
 - Market developments
 - Other groups could cover on demand non-agricultural GIs, EU bilateral treaties and limitations to GIs protection...
- 19.00 Dinner – Thon Hotel EU



Wednesday 21 March

Meeting with the European Commission, DG Agriculture and Rural Development, Rue de la Loi 130 (working language: English)

11:00 – 12:30

EU bilateral treaties & GIs

- Presentation of oriGIn paper, **Massimo Vittori**, Director of oriGIn
- Answers by the Commission
- Discussion on how to optimize GIs results in trade negotiations

European Event of Quality and Origin Products of AREPO, Common office of Hessen, Emilia-Romagna and Nouvelle-Aquitaine, 21 rue Montoyer, 1000 Brussels (from 13h00 to 22h00).