



# IOF2020 MONITORING

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Dear partners, dear readers,

We are very glad to present you the April edition of the IoF2020 monitoring, outlining monthly news in the agricultural, food and Internet of Things sectors.

The official notification of Brexit and its consequences on the European agriculture as well as the discussion on the future of the CAP were dominating the news this month.

Do not hesitate to send your events and news using the attached template by 26<sup>th</sup> May to [quentin.galland@schuttelaar-partners.com](mailto:quentin.galland@schuttelaar-partners.com) if you wish them to be added to our monitoring.

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Happy reading and all the best,

Edwin, Eline and Quentin



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## WHAT'S NEW?

### AGRICULTURE

#### Europe

- The United-Kingdom serves official request to leave the EU  
[theguardian.com](http://theguardian.com)
- Future design of CAP post-2020 tops agenda of the Estonian Presidency  
*The Estonian Presidency, taking over from Malta as of 1 July 2017, oversees substantial talks on the post-2020 CAP.*  
[eesistumine.ee](http://eesistumine.ee)
- French farmers' union puts post-2020 CAP consultation at risk  
*A letter, sent by the French farmers' union to its local members, raises concerns about the credibility of the post-2020 CAP consultation and data protection.*  
[euractiv.com](http://euractiv.com)
- Brexit to trigger UK farm policy overhaul and EU funding gap  
[cattlenetwork.com](http://cattlenetwork.com)
- European farm payments under threat: a view from Brussels  
*Pressure is building on the EU's farming Commissioner, Phil Hogan, to cut direct payments for European farmers.*  
[fginsight.com](http://fginsight.com)
- Scandinavian and Baltic member states call to simplify CAP rules  
*Scandinavian and Baltic member states have proposed "reducing the number of layers of rules" in the CAP, insisting that the "highly complex administrative set-up that creates costs and burdens" must be simplified.*  
[agra-net.com](http://agra-net.com)

#### International

- EU and China launch young farmers exchange program  
*Commissioner Phil Hogan and Chinese Agriculture Minister Han Changfu have signed a joint declaration launching an exchange program allowing visits by young farmers and industry professionals from both sides and participation in training courses, agricultural enterprises, innovative farms, government entities, research institutes, and cooperatives.*  
[neweurope.eu](http://neweurope.eu)
- The European Commission unveils guide to enter Canadian agri-food market  
[agra-net.com](http://agra-net.com)
- Russia vows to lift ban on EU pig products, timeline still unclear  
*Russia has vowed to comply with a World Trade Organization (WTO) dispute settlement panel ruling against its ban on the import of live pigs and certain pig products from the EU, but says it needs a 'reasonable period of time' to do so.*  
[agra-net.com](http://agra-net.com)

- EU clears ChemChina's \$43 billion takeover of Syngenta with conditions  
*ChemChina won conditional EU antitrust approval on 5 April for its bid for the Swiss pesticides and seeds group Syngenta. A deal could help China boost its domestic agricultural output.*  
[reuters.com](http://reuters.com)
- The European Commission backs agro-chemical mega merger between US-based giants Dow and DuPont  
[worldfinance.com](http://worldfinance.com)

### Tweets of the month



EU Agriculture & RD @EU\_Agri · Apr 14  
The public consultation on #FutureofCAP is open until 2 May! Have your say! Info: [europa.eu/1Mf97vm](http://europa.eu/1Mf97vm) Survey: [europa.eu/1wJ43mY](http://europa.eu/1wJ43mY) pic.twitter.com/aH4w89PoIP



**David Jones**  
@DavidJo52951945

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The UK will radically reform UK agriculture after Brexit as EU face a funding crisis



**Brexit to trigger UK farm policy overhaul and EU funding gap**  
Britain is expected to radically overhaul agricultural policy after it leaves the European Union and the bloc may have to make changes too when it loses Britain...  
[uk.reuters.com](http://uk.reuters.com)

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6:49 am - 10 Apr 2017

## FOOD

### Europe

- The European Commission launches a call for expressions of interest to fill 7 of the 14 positions on EFSA's Management Board  
*Appointments will be for four-year terms from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2022. The deadline for submission of applications is 19 May 2017.*  
[efsa.europa.eu](http://efsa.europa.eu)
- Italy introduces new labelling law for dairy products  
*As of 26 April, Italian dairy product labels will have to show the origin of their ingredients. Italy's agriculture minister hopes the experiment will be copied by other EU countries.*  
[euractiv.com](http://euractiv.com)
- Slovak study fuels concerns about lower quality food in Eastern Europe  
*A study carried out by the Slovak government has found significant quality differences in the same products sold in Slovakia and Austria.*  
[euractiv.com](http://euractiv.com)
- Parliament calls for mandatory EU-wide food waste targets by 2020  
[euractiv.com](http://euractiv.com)
- UK in sticky situation over EU quotas  
*Britain must promptly negotiate what share of EU fresh produce quotas it will take and fix quotas for agricultural products to avoid 'trading blind'.*  
[fruitnet.com](http://fruitnet.com)
- Endive producers on the grill in EU price-fixing case  
*Case will determine to what extent farmers are exempt from EU's regular competition rules.*  
[politico.eu](http://politico.eu)
- Farmers across Europe will suffer if UK drops food tariffs  
[telegraph.co.uk](http://telegraph.co.uk)

### International

- The US state of Colorado rejects country of origin labelling for beef products  
[eurofoodlaw.com](http://eurofoodlaw.com)
- US report criticises EU's geographical indications and country-of-origin labelling schemes  
*The EU's system of geographical indications for agri-food products, country-of-origin labelling and various sanitary and phytosanitary measures employed by the EU have been named in a new report by the US Trade Representative on what it views as barriers to trade.*  
[eurofoodlaw.com](http://eurofoodlaw.com)
- The Food and Agriculture Organization calls for integrated approach to food chain crises  
*The FAO has highlighted emergency prevention methods and tools to improve food safety and security.*  
[foodnavigator.com](http://foodnavigator.com)

## Economic data

- Brexit will raise imported produce prices by 8 percent  
[politico.eu](http://politico.eu)
- EU wines represent 55% of UK wine imports  
[ceev.eu](http://ceev.eu)
- 108 million people food insecure  
[fsin.com](http://fsin.com)

## Tweet of the month

 **David Blakely**  
@Acliffe Follow

Cost of imported fruit and vegetables to rise 8% after \$Brexit (Rabobank)  
[cnbc.com/2017/03/30/cos](http://cnbc.com/2017/03/30/cos) ... #food #agriculture #trade



**Cost of imported fruit and vegetables to rise 8 percent after Brexit: Rabobank**  
Food and drink prices look set to rise after Brexit.  
[cnbc.com](http://cnbc.com)

5:33 am - 30 Mar 2017



## INTERNET OF THINGS AND AGRI-FOOD

### Europe

- New traceability rules for organic products  
*The implementation of a new EU-wide electronic certification system has entered into force on 19 April, allowing for a more complete monitoring of imports of organic products and making the EU a world leader in traceability and data collection reliable information on trade in these products.*  
[globalmeatnews.com](http://globalmeatnews.com)
- “The future relies on boosting Smart Villages”  
*In an effort to revitalise rural communities and make them more attractive and sustainable, the European Commission launched on 11 April an EU action called “Smart Villages”.*  
[euractiv.com](http://euractiv.com)
- Smart eco-social villages for rural development  
*To encourage ways of boosting rural development, the European Commission has launched a call for tender for a pilot project on smart eco-social villages. Deadline for submitting proposals: 17 May 2017.*  
[ec.europa.eu](http://ec.europa.eu)
- French farmers seek expert advice on going digital  
*France’s farming community has already started introducing new technologies but is still concerned about the cost as well as the lack of information on the “right choices” of equipment.*  
[euractiv.com](http://euractiv.com)

### International

- Farmers Edge weather info service connects the dots of precision farming data  
[grainews.ca](http://grainews.ca)
- Banks and companies line up digital agri-tech push  
*Indian banks are increasingly looking at expanding their agri-tech solutions as the Prime Minister endorses the use of technology in agriculture.*  
[businessworld.in](http://businessworld.in)
- Ho Chi Min City program to trace pork origin runs into headwinds  
*The city’s technology-based program to control and trace the origin of pork that began recently is encountering difficulties.*  
[thepigsite.com](http://thepigsite.com)

### Economic data

- IOT device installations in the agriculture world will increase from 30 million in 2015 to 75 million in 2020, for a compound annual growth rate of 20%  
[itweb.co.za](http://itweb.co.za)
- Global precision farming market expected to grow at a pace of 17.4% from 2017 to 2025  
[whatech.com](http://whatech.com)

Tweets of the month

**Greg Wesson** @GregWessonCEM Follow

Will [#brexit](#) speed up the adoption of robots in UK agriculture and food processing?

**the guardian**

**If EU workers go, will robots step in to pick and pack Britain's dinners?**  
Automation is on the march on farms across the world, but it is costly, and may not come soon enough to fill the gap  
theguardian.com

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12:45 am - 27 Feb 2017

**EC Net Technologies** @NetTechEU Following

.@IoF2020 is one of the #EU actions promoting #SmartVillages & #RuralDevelopment. Find more at [bit.ly/2oxQ0SF](http://bit.ly/2oxQ0SF) [iof2020.eu](http://iof2020.eu)



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## UPCOMING EUROPEAN EVENTS

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event</b>
04-05 May 2017	Brussels, Belgium	<a href="#">Annual Conference on EU Law in the Food Sector 2017</a>
05 May 2017	Brussels, Belgium	<a href="#">Farm Management: Innovations and Financing</a>
08-11 May 2017	Milano, Italy	<a href="#">Global Food Innovation Summit</a>
08-11 May 2017	Taragona, Spain	<a href="#">XXI European Symposium on Poultry Nutrition</a>
09 May 2017	Venice, Italy	<a href="#">Precision farming innovative techniques</a>
09 May 2017	Brussels, Belgium	<a href="#">Europe's Digital Single Market - Success or Failure?</a>
09-10 May 2017	Utrecht, Netherlands	<a href="#">The Global Forum for Innovations in Agriculture</a>
09-10 May 2017	Murcia, Spain	<a href="#">Murcia FOOD Brokerage Event 2017</a>
09-10 May 2017	Milan, Italy	<a href="#">International Matchmaking Event at TUTTOFOOD</a>
09-11 May 2017	Geneva, Switzerland	<a href="#">Vitafoods Europe</a>
09 May 2017	Brussels, Belgium	<a href="#">Europe's Digital Single Market - Success or Failure?</a>
10 May 2017	Berlin, Germany	<a href="#">Leading the way to a new European bioeconomy strategy</a>
10-11 May 2017	Athens, Greece	<a href="#">Moving EIP-AGRI implementation forward</a>
10-11 May 2017	Abbenes, Netherlands	<a href="#">Opening of the Forward Farm</a>
11 May 2017	Brussels, Belgium	<a href="#">Who will fix the broken CAP? Recipe for a Living Land</a>
11 May 2017	Brussels, Belgium	<a href="#">Agriculture 4.0, Feeding the next generation</a>
11-12 May 2017	Vienna, Austria	<a href="#">6th FOODSEG Symposium</a>
12 May 2017	Frascati, Italy	<a href="#">EOEP 5-Block 4 Industry Info DAY</a>
14-18 May 2017	Ljubljana, Slovenia	<a href="#">European Brewery Convention</a>
15 May 2017	Novi Sad, Serbia	<a href="#">AgroB2B 2017</a>
15-17 May 2017	Rome, Italy	<a href="#">Global Food Contact 2017</a>
16-18 May 2017	Vincenza, Italy	<a href="#">ENOFORUM 2017</a>
17 May 2017	Thessaloniki, Greece	<a href="#">Technology Forum 2017 Matchmaking Event</a>

18 May 2017	Various locations	<a href="#">The Fascination of Plants Day</a>
21 May 2017	Paris, France	<a href="#">IEEE IoT Vertical &amp; Topical Summit for Agriculture</a>
21-28 May 2017	Split, Croatia	<a href="#">Organic Leadership Course (OLC) Europe 2017</a>
22-23 May 2017	Duelmen, Germany	<a href="#">Mainstreaming Precision Farming: policy cohesion and partnership</a>
29 May-02 June 2017	Different locations	<a href="#">EU Green Week 2017</a>
29-31 May 2017	Utrecht, Netherlands	<a href="#">Fiware Summit</a>
30 May 2017	Brussels, Belgium	<a href="#">Developing the FinTech Ecosystem: the challenges of regulation, innovation and digitalisation</a>
31 May-02 June 2017	Tampere, Finland	<a href="#">Eurocoop General Assembly 2017</a>
01 June 2017	Brussels, Belgium	<a href="#">Digital Festival 2017</a>
01-02 June 2017	Kilkenny, Ireland	<a href="#">Digital Innovation Hubs: mainstreaming digital agriculture</a>
06-09 June 2017	Geneva, Switzerland	<a href="#">IoT Week 2017</a>
07-08 June 2017	Madrid, Spain	<a href="#">Biopesticides Europe 2017</a>
07-09 June 2017	Cordoba, Spain	<a href="#">FEFAC Congress</a>
08 June 2017	Eindhoven, Netherlands	<a href="#">How to get connected with Internet of Things</a>
10-18 June 2017	Santarem, Portugal	<a href="#">2017 National Agricultural Fair</a>
12-15 June 2017	Helsinki, Finland	<a href="#">World Farmers' Organization General Assembly 2017</a>
12-15 June 2017	Stockholm, Sweden	<a href="#">European Biomass Conference and Exhibition (EUBCE) 2017</a>
13-15 June 2017	Noordwijk aan Zee, Netherlands	<a href="#">Agrivision 2017</a>
14-15 June 2017	Hamburg, Germany	<a href="#">Organic is Operational</a>
15-16 June 2017	Berlin, Germany	<a href="#">Global Crops &amp; Chemicals Summit</a>
15-16 June 2017	Valetta, Malta	<a href="#">Digital Europe: Investing in the Future</a>
19-20 June 2017	Mainz, Germany	<a href="#">19th International Fresenius AGRO Conference "Behaviour of Pesticides in Air, Soil and Water"</a>
19-21 June 2017	Mikkeli, Finland	<a href="#">Organics for tomorrow's food systems</a>

19-22 June 2017	Ploufragan, France	<a href="#">10th Symposium on Poultry Welfare</a>
21-22 June 2017	London, UK	<a href="#">IoT Global Congress</a>
22 June 2017	London, UK	<a href="#">The UK's Connected Future: 5G Deployment, Next Gen Mobile Networks and Future Applications</a>
22-23 June 2017	Berlin, Germany	<a href="#">Animal Welfare Innovation Forum</a>
26-28 June 2017	Saint-Malo, France	<a href="#">10th European Symposium on Poultry Genetics</a>
27-29 June 2017	Madeira Island, Portugal	<a href="#">Engineering, Technology &amp; Innovation Management Beyond 2020: New Challenges, New Approaches</a>
28-29 June 2017	Krakow, Poland	<a href="#">Oleofuels 2017</a>
28-29 June 2017	Venlo, Netherlands	<a href="#">Global Innovative Food-Agri Event</a>
29-30 June 2017	The Hague, Netherlands	<a href="#">ERIAFF Conference 2017: Feeding and Greening the City</a>
02-06 July 2017	Montpellier, France	<a href="#">EFITA 2017</a>
03 July 2017	Crete, Greece	<a href="#">Agrispin project end conference: Space for Innovation in Agriculture</a>
05 July 2017	London, UK	<a href="#">Zenith Springboard for Food &amp; Drink Entrepreneurs</a>
26 August-01 September 2017	Tallinn, Estonia	<a href="#">68th Annual Meeting of the European Federation of Animal Science</a>
28 August-01 September	Parma, Italy	<a href="#">The XV EAAE Congress "Towards Sustainable Agri-Food Systems: Balancing between markets and society"</a>
03-05 September 2017	Edinburgh, UK	<a href="#">EggMeat 2017</a>
04-06 September 2017	Braganca, Portugal	<a href="#">IX Iberian Congress of Agricultural Engineering</a>
05-07 September 2017	Tallinn, Estonia	<a href="#">European Organic Congress</a>
05-08 September 2017	Wageningen, Netherlands	<a href="#">7th International Conference on the Assessment of Animal Welfare at Farm and Group Level</a>
10-14 September 2017	Bruges, Belgium	<a href="#">IEC Global Leadership Conference 2017</a>
12-14 September 2017	Nantes, France	<a href="#">8th European Conference on Precision Livestock Farming</a>
26-29 September 2017	Valladolid, Spain	<a href="#">Expobiomassa 2017</a>
17-18 October 2017	London, UK	<a href="#">World Agri-Tech Innovation Summit</a>

<i>18-20 October 2017</i>	Madrid, Spain	<a href="#">Fruit Attraction</a>
<i>22-24 October 2017</i>	Paris, France	<a href="#">Natexpo-International Trade Show For Organic Products</a>
<i>01-04 November 2017</i>	Lisbon, Portugal	<a href="#">I Luso-Brazilian Congress of Horticulture</a>
<i>10-11 November 2017</i>	Hannover, Germany	<a href="#">75th International Conference on Agricultural Engineering Land.Technik AgEng 2017</a>
<i>12-18 November 2017</i>	Hannover, Germany	<a href="#">Agritechnica 2017</a>
<i>13-16 November 2017</i>	Sitges, Spain	<a href="#">31st International Conference: Food Science and Technology Challenges for the 21st Century - Research to Progress Society</a>
<i>15-16 November 2017</i>	Malmö, Sweden	<a href="#">Nordic Organic Food Fair 2017</a>
<i>15-17 November 2017</i>	Brussels, Belgium	<a href="#">Organic Innovation Days &amp; Horizon 2020 Brokerage Event</a>
<i>05-07 December 2017</i>	Kiev, Ukraine	<a href="#">6th International Exhibition for the Fresh Produce Industry in Ukraine and other CIS Countries</a>
<i>January, 2018</i>	Zwolle, Netherlands	<a href="#">5th Organic Processing Conference</a>
<i>20-22 June 2018</i>	Utrecht, Netherlands	<a href="#">VIV Europe 2018: World Expo from Feed to Food</a>
<i>17-21 September 2018</i>	Dubrovnik, Croatia	<a href="#">European Poultry Conference 2018</a>