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RPCG actions taken by EESC since the last meeting in April



# **Opinions:**

- Adoption of <u>NAT/914</u>: Towards a greater involvement of Member States, Regions and Civil Society actors in the implementation of the Long-Term Vision for the <u>EU's Rural Areas</u>
- Adoption of <u>NAT/925</u>: just transition to ensure a sustainable future for EU agrifood systems | EESC (europa.eu)
- Adoption of <u>NAT/928</u>: Aligning the circular economy and the bioeconomy at EU and national level



#### **Events:**

- Organisation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Rural Pact debate on <u>the just</u> <u>transition of agri-food systems</u>
- Organisation of the 6<sup>th</sup> Rural Pact debate on <u>The</u> role of circular economy and bioeconomy in supporting sustainable agri-food systems to promote sustainable rural/urban development in the EU





### Just transition of agri-food systems

09/04/2024 | 15:45-17:30 CEST Orientation debate Rural Pact #5



The role of the circular economy and bioeconomy in supporting sustainable agri-food systems to promote sustainable rural/urban development in the EU 15 OCTOBER 2024 | 10:00 - 13:00 | Online



## **Other activities:**

 All EESC members of the NAT Section have been asked to send the "Rural Pact letter", asking their ministries to commit to the Pact and join the Community Platform

During the Organic Awards 2024, the winner of the category "Best organic food processing SME" reinvigorated a whole rural area with the production of pasta, supporting over 300 farmers and 60 local workers.





#### Members' participation in events:

EESC members had an active role in the following events, where they had the opportunity to promote the RP and its work:

- 1. European Policy Forum for women-led innovation in agriculture and rural areas Policy Forum organized by AEIDL
- 2. Multifunctional EU forests and their role in supporting EU strategic objectives Partnership event between the EESC and COPA COGECA
- Finnish National Rural Parliament Conference organized by the Finnish National Rural Parliament
- 4. EU24 Final Event Democracy and Inclusivity in Times of Climate Crisis Conference organized by the European Association for Local Democracy (ALDA)
- 5. MOVING Final Conference