

**ERIAFF Coordination Committee Meeting**  
**February 11th 2026, 14:30 - 16:30pm**  
**The event was held exclusively online**  
**Participant: approximately 20**

**Agenda:**

1. **AC26 programme:** updates on programme and dates for registration.
2. **AC28 candidatures:** the secretariat informs the Coordination Committee about the candidatures received for the AC28 (an appropriate presentation and evaluation of the candidatures will be done in another meeting).
3. **Innovative Activities on agri-safety:** first introduction of the test area for the safe operation of agricultural and forestry machinery, managed by Ente Terre Regionali Toscane.
4. **Open letter on the future of EU Budget (2028-2034)** on S3: request of support.
5. Any other business.

**Discussion:**

1. **AC26 programme: updates on programme and dates for registration.**

For the 1st point in the agenda the organising team of the AC26 presented to the committee an updated version of the draft programme, that is now also available on the website at the following link: <https://eriaff2026.noord-holland-evenementen.nl/page/2046507>. They also shared that registration will open during the last week of February (between the 23rd and the 27th).

In the following days WGs chairs will define, and share with the organising team, the details for the organisation of WGs sessions, breakout session and study visit. The programme was well received by all participants, who showed great enthusiasm.

The Committee also agreed on publishing a press release on the AC26 in the first half of March.
2. **AC28 candidatures: the secretariat informs the Coordination Committee about the candidatures received for the AC28.**

Concerning the candidatures for AC28, the Secretariat briefly introduced all applications and then gave the floor to Minna Storm for a short presentation of the Turku Region (Southwest Finland) candidature, followed by Concha Civantos, who presented the candidature of the Region of Extremadura (Spain).

The Committee acknowledged that both applications are of very high quality and did not exclude the possibility of considering both options for the 2028–2029 biennium.
3. **Innovative Activities on agri-safety: first introduction of the test area for the safe operation of agricultural and forestry machinery.**

The third point on the agenda concerned the presentation of the test area for the safe operation of agricultural and forestry machinery in Tuscany. Ms. Elena Biagiotti, representing Ente Terre Regionali Toscane, presented the project to the CC. The Committee was also informed

that, in the coming days, a survey will be circulated to gather information on the situation in other European regions and to assess the existence of similar initiatives.

4. **Open letter on the future of EU Budget (2028-2034) on S3: request of support.**

Concerning the “Open Letter on the future of the EU Budget (2028–2034) with regard to S3”, the proposal to sign the letter as ERIAFF was welcomed favourably. The Secretariat has reserved the right to launch an online consultation in the coming days in order to proceed with the signing of the letter.

5. **Any other business.**

Luis Elizondo from Pays Basque (Spain) raised the possibility for ERIAFF to take a position on the CAP through the adoption of a position paper. In response, it was proposed that, in light of the current timeframe and considering the initiatives already undertaken by other regional networks, which ERIAFF may consider endorsing, a press release would be a more appropriate and timely alternative to a formal position paper.

**Conclusion**

At 16:30, having addressed all the items on the agenda, the Secretariat closed the meeting. Participants were reminded that the next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 11 March, from 14:30 to 16:30.

(Report edited by Carlotta La Mastra)