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FRUCOM SUSTAINABILITY WORKING GROUP

14th March 2022, 16.30 -18.30 CET (Brussels) time

Electronic meeting on zoom

DRAFT AGENDA

Chair: **Burcu Turkey** Global Sustainability Manager for Nuts, OFI

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| ■ Opening of the meeting, approval of agenda and minutes | 16.30-16.35
Chair |
| ■ Living wage and living incomes in complex agri-food supply chains | 16. 35- 17.40 |

Taking action on living wages and living incomes

Lisa van Wageningen IDH

The role of living wages and living incomes in sustainable trade

Steven Collet Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Integrating living wage and living income principles into supply chains

Ömer Oktay Voicevale

Addressing living incomes in global partnerships

Regis Meritan European Commission – DG INTPA

Questions and Answers

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| ■ FRUCOM updates | 17:40 – 18:15 |
| ■ A.O.B., conclusions and agreement on actions | 18:15 Chair |
| ■ Topics for next meetings | |

Lisa van Wageningen Aquaculture programme manager – IDH

Lisa van Wageningen is Programme Manager Aquaculture at IDH, the Sustainable Trade Initiative. IDH is an organization (Foundation) that works with businesses, financiers, governments and civil society to realize sustainable trade in global value chains. Lisa coordinates the Aquaculture Program. Currently she focusses on convening a coalition of (tropical) aquaculture companies to better measure and reduce their environmental footprint; as well as on better understanding living wage gaps in the industry. Previously, she worked as an Education Assistant at Wageningen University.

Steven Collet Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Director Sustainable Economic Development Department

Director Sustainable Economic Development Department and Ambassador Business & Development at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands. Steven has been working on economic development and trade for two decades, working in multilateral, bilateral and private sector arena's. In his current role, Steven is responsible for the Dutch government's effort to promote decent work and economic development (SDG8), and private sector and financial markets engagement in developing countries.

Ömer Oktay Voicevale Group Sustainability Manager

Ömer Oktay has worked over 15 years in all layers of sustainability within different roles, starting as an auditor for various sustainability certification schemes. After that, he worked as part of the Better Cotton Initiative and Rainforest Alliance, supporting supply chain actors to implement these standards, leading numerous projects, and engaging with stakeholders. Since May 2021, Ömer has worked for Voicevale as the Group Sustainability Manager, where he leads development and implementation of the sustainability strategy for Voicevale Group. Voicevale is an affiliated member of the Fair Labor Association (FLA), and Ömer manages the implementation of the FLA Agricultural program principles in the Voicevale Brazil nuts supply chain and headquarters.



Regis Meritan *Senior Expert, European Commission – DG INTPA*

Regis Meritan is a Senior Expert at the European Commission, Directorate General for International Partnerships. He is heading the Sector "Agriculture Growth" and coordinates the EU Sustainable Cocoa Initiative. He is an Agro-economist and holds a PhD in Food Science from the Institut National Agronomique, Paris, France. Prior to this post, until 2014, he was the Economic Advisor of the European Union Delegation to Tunisia. He had been previously posted in various African countries and in the Middle East, dealing with agriculture programmes and policies and humanitarian issues since 1990. He has been an author of a number of articles and publications on agricultural policies and economy in Sub-Saharan Africa. He has also an experience of private sector in agro-industry in France.