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Improving Soil Health and Fertility through Insect Frass Application

**Moderator: Natasha Foote**

Natasha Foote works as Agrifood and Health Journalist at EURACTIV, the leading online media network specialised in EU policies, since 2019. Ms Foote has experience in agriculture, environment and EU policy matters. She will moderate the IPIFF workshop and the related live Q&A sessions.

**SPEAKERS AND PANELLISTS**

**Matjaz Klemencic, DG SANTE, EU Commission**

Matjaz Klemencic is Policy Officer in the ‘Animal Health and Welfare’ Unit, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE) at the European Commission since 2009. Mr Klemencic is a doctor of Veterinary Medicine. He is an expert in trade, import and export of live animals and animal products.

**Chloé Phan van Phi, IPIFF**

Chloé Phan van Phi, Head of Sales & Marketing at InnovaFeed, is the IPIFF Executive Committee Member in charge of Circular Economy since 2020. In the second session of the event, Ms Phan van Phi will focus her presentation on the benefits and potential of insect frass as fertiliser and its legislative framework.

**Johanna Bernsel, DG GROW, EU Commission**

Johanna Bernsel is Deputy Head of ‘Bioeconomy, Chemicals & Cosmetics’ Unit, Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW) at the European Commission. A lawyer by training, she has long experience with negotiation and implementation of Chemicals Legislation at EU level. She was one of the Commission’s drafters and chief negotiators of the EU Fertilising Products Regulation adopted by the European Parliament and the Council in 2019.
Benoît Planques, ECOFI

Benoît Planques is the head of regulatory affairs for Hello Nature, a company producing organic fertilizers and biostimulants of vegetal origin. Since March 2014, Mr Planques has been one of the ECOFI representatives at the European Commission’s Fertilizer Working Group meetings. His expertise includes the standardisation of fertilizing products on national and European level and agriculture.

Penelope Vincent-Sweet, EEB

Penelope Vincent-Sweet is the EEB (European Environmental Bureau) delegate in the European Commission expert group on Fertilising Products. With a background in environmental technology, biology and agriculture, Ms Vincent-Sweet collaborates with the French NGO France Nature Environnement and is active in numerous local initiatives focusing on circular economy, food waste reduction and sustainable agriculture.

Antoine Hubert, IPIFF President

Antoine Hubert is President, CEO and co-founder of Ynsect, a French based company operating in the farming and processing of insects for animal feed, pet food, human food and fertilizers markets. Antoine is one of IPIFF cofounder and has held the position of IPIFF President since April 2015.

Adriana Casillas, IPIFF Vice-President

Adriana Casillas is the co-founder and CEO of Tebrio (MealFood Europe), a Spanish company working with the production and processing of insect Tenebrio Molitor for food, feed, plant nutrition and also industrial applications. She has acted as Vice-President of IPIFF since 2018, being a member of IPIFF since 2016.