

DECLARATION ON COOPERATION

between

**the Chairwoman of the Committee for Agriculture, Food Industry and Rural
Development of the Romanian Senate,**

**the Chairman of the Committee for Agriculture, Forestry, Food Industry and Specific
Services of the Romanian Chamber of Deputies**

and

the Chairman of the Agriculture Committee of the Croatian Parliament

Building on the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon concerning national Parliaments' taking part in the inter-parliamentary cooperation between national parliaments and with the European Parliament, particularly in accordance with Articles 9 and 10 of the Protocol (No 1) on the role of national Parliaments in the European Union;

Emphasizing the need for a stronger involvement of competent working bodies in national Parliaments in the discussions on the Union's policies;

Considering that the procedure for the adoption of a new legislative framework of the Common Agricultural Policy for the upcoming programming period is underway;

Recognizing the importance of the Common Agricultural Policy for farmers, rural area sustainability and development, climate policies, environmental protection, food safety and quality, food availability and the regular functioning of the agrifood market;

Having regard to the discussion held at the Inter-Parliamentary Conference on "The Role of Parliaments in Shaping the Future of Food and Farming" that took place in November 2018 in the Croatian Parliament;

Having regard to the forthcoming Romanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union;

The Committees' chairpersons declare their willingness to develop cooperation and partnership in the process of future debates on the Common Agricultural Policy of the European Union.

The Staff of the Agriculture Committee of the Croatian Parliament shall submit to the competent committees of the Romanian Chamber of Deputies and Senate the summaries of the debates held at the Inter-Parliamentary Conference on "The Role of Parliaments in Shaping the Future of Food and Farming", as well as the proposals for further discussions on the future of the Common Agricultural Policy put forward at the Conference.

Done at Zagreb in three original copies, on this twenty-third day of November in the year two thousand and eighteen.