

CROFTING'S PLACE IN EUROPE

PROGRAMME

Friday 10 March 2017

11:00	Registration opens	In Hartfield House
12:30	Lunch	In Hartfield House and studio
14:00 – 14:05	Russell Smith SCF chair	Opening on behalf of SCF
14:05 - 14:20	Fergus Ewing Cabinet Secretary for Rural Economy and Connectivity	Opening the event and setting the scene
14:20 - 14:30	Q&A with the Cabinet Secretary	
Session 1: FROM CURRENT AGRICULTURAL POLICY TO BREXIT (part 1) chair: Russell Smith SCF		
14:30 - 14:50	Jan Douwe van der Ploeg WAU	Rural development and small farmers
14:50 - 15:10	Gwyn Jones EFNCP	Pillar 2 Environmental schemes
15:10 - 15:30	Steven G Thomson SRUC	Basic Payments and crofting
15:30 - 16:00	Q&A and general discussion	
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee and Tea break	
Session 2: FROM CURRENT AGRICULTURAL POLICY TO BREXIT (part 2) chair: Yvonne White SCF		
16:30 – 16:50	Samuel Feret ARC2020	European perspective on the next CAP and implications for Scotland
16:50 – 17:10	Hanny van Geel ECVC	International movement of small farmers and food sovereignty
17:10 – 17:30	Robin Calvert SCF	A crofting perspective on Brexit
17:30 - 18:00	Q&A and general discussion	
18:15	Scottish Crofting Federation's Chair reception (studio at Hartfield House)	
18:45	Young Crofters get together (Young Crofters Den, in Hartfield House)	
19:30	Highland traditional Dinner, networking and live music (main hall)	
22:00	Late night film: Grazing on the Edge (lounge in Hartfield House)	

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Session 3: ACTION POINTS FOR CROFTING POST-BREXIT

chair: Russell Smith SCF

09:00 – 09:20	Mike Russell, Minister for UK Negotiations on Scotland's Place in Europe.	Scotland's position in Brexit
09:20 – 09:50	Q&A session	
09:50 – 11:00	General discussion in small breakout group and generating action points. What should SCF be lobbying for?	
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee and tea break	
11:30 – 12:00	Plenary: Reporting back and prioritising action points	
Session 4: STRENGTHENING CROFTING REGULATION		chair: Russell Smith SCF
12:00 – 12:20	Bill Barron, Chief Executive Crofting Commission	Update from the Crofting Commission, five actions for crofting
12:20 – 12:40	Q&A session	
12:40 - 13:00	Closure	
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch at Hartfield House	