AGENDA

10:00 – 10:30  Registration - Welcome Coffee

10:30 – 10:45  OPENING REMARKS
Ms. Desislava TANEVA, Minister of Agriculture and Food
Mr. Tony THOMPSON, Country Manager, The World Bank

10:45 – 11:40  SESSION 1: THE BULGARIAN AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT SECTOR IN 2030
Ms. Desislava TANEVA, Minister of Agriculture and Food
Priorities for a long-term vision for a sustainable agriculture in Bulgaria
Mr. Dacian CIOLOS, European Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development, 2010-2014
The European Model of Agriculture: still valid in addressing the global agricultural challenges?
Mr. Holger KRAY, Lead Agriculture Economist at the World Bank
Farming for the future: meeting global food needs, enhancing resilience and reducing agriculture's carbon footprint
Mr. Grahame DIXIE, Advisor at the World Bank
High-value agriculture starts with a vision
Mr. Shane HAMILL, Ambassador at the Irish Food Board’s Origin Green Program and expert at the World Bank
Smart, green and sustainable: Lessons from Ireland’s Food Harvest 2020 vision for agri-food growth

11:40 – 12:30  Panel discussion and Q&A

12:30 – 13:30  Lunch Break

13:30 – 14:20  SESSION 2: INCREASING FARMERS’ RESILIENCE TO CLIMATE CHANGE
Ms. Ivelina VASSILEVA, Minister of Environment and Water
The role of agriculture in the Bulgarian climate change strategy
Mr. Vassil GROUDEV, Deputy-Minister of Agriculture and Food
Building resilience for adaptation to climate change in Bulgarian agriculture
Mr. Rumen Hristov, Chairman of the Agriculture Committee in the Bulgarian Parliament
Impact of climate change on Bulgarian agriculture and key vulnerabilities of the rural economy
Mr. Dacian CIOLOS, European Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development, 2010-2014
The EU 2030 strategy: perspectives on adaptation in agriculture
Mr. Holger KRAY, Lead Agriculture Economist at the World Bank
Climate-smart agriculture: enhancing food security while facing climate change

14:20 – 15:15  Panel discussion and Q&A

15:15 – 15:30  CONCLUDING REMARKS
Ms. Desislava TANEVA, Minister of Agriculture and Food
Mr. Tony THOMPSON, Country Manager, The World Bank