

# HOW CAN SEASONAL WORKERS BE EFFECTIVELY INFORMED?



**EFFAT Conference on improving the working and living conditions of migrant workers in European agriculture**

**21. March 2023 at The President Brussels Hotel  
44 Bd. Roi Albert II, 1000 Brussels**

On 21 March 2023, the European Federation of Food, Agriculture and Tourism Trade Unions (EFFAT) is launching a smartphone app to provide better information and advice to seasonal workers who harvest mainly fruits and vegetables on a temporary basis in Western European agriculture.

Their working and living conditions are often poor also because of the lack of information about their rights.

With the support of the European Commission, we thus inform seasonal workers about their rights in their mother tongue and in a comprehensible way.

Interpretation will be provided in EN – FR – DE – IT – ES – RO – BG and PL.

- 09.30am Registration and welcome coffee
- 10.00am Opening by Kristjan Bragason, EFFAT General Secretary
- 10.15am Presentation of the work by Ivan Ivanov, European Migrant Workers' Union
- 10.45am Information and advice for seasonal workers – the view of:
  - Sigried Caspar, European Commission
  - Sergi Queralt, Employers of European Agriculture GEOPA-COPA
  - Nicoletta Merlo, European Economic and Social Committee
- 11.30am Discussion with Members of the European Parliament
  - Marlene Mortler (EPP)
  - Maria Noichl (S&D)
  - Dacian Cioloş (RE)
  - Martin Häusling (EFA)
- 12.45pm Conclusions by Valentina Vasilionova, EFFAT Agricultural President
- 13.00pm Opportunity to have lunch together



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