

Short bio of the speakers at the:

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Fabrice DeClerck
Scientific Director of EAT- forum

Fabrice DeClerck is the EAT Science Director. In this role Fabrice leads the development of EAT research and synthesis science. With the Stockholm Resilience Center, EAT's Science Secretariat, he works closely with EAT partners and programs as the interface between science and practice. Fabrice's professional background is in agricultural and environmental sciences with more than a decade focusing on sustainable development in Latin America, Africa, and South East Asia. His collaborations with the health and nutrition community date back to 2004 focusing on dietary and environmental health in the Sustainable Development Goals. Fabrice maintains a role as Sr. Scientist at Bioversity International, a member center of the CGIAR. His engagements with EAT enable him to engage closely with UN Agencies such as FAO, UNDP, UNICEF, and UNEP; progressive private sector partners, and individuals farmers and farming communities on the radical food transformation needed in support of human health and environmental sustainability.



Henk Westhoek
Head of Food, Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency

Henk Westhoek (1959) is since 2001 the program manager for Agriculture and Food of the Netherlands Environmental Assessment Agency (PBL). Before joining PBL he worked for 10 years for the Dutch Ministry of Agriculture on issues related to livestock and the environment. He has also worked in Indonesia and Rwanda. He has a MSc in Soil Science and Plant nutrition from Wageningen University. He has been involved in numerous national and international assessments and scenario-studies. He was Lead Author in the International Assessment of Agricultural Science and Technology for Development (IAASTD), initiated by FAO and the World Bank. He was co-author of the study Scenar 2020 and of Cross-roads of Life on Earth: Exploring means to meet the 2010 Biodiversity Target. Henk Westhoek was also the project-leader on the PBL-side of EURuralis project for four years. Presently, he is now guiding a large PBL project on the environmental effects of livestock production and is co-chair of the TFRN Expert Panel on Nitrogen and Food.



Sabine Weiland
Associate Professor of Political Science
Director of ESPOL-LAB Research Centre

Sabine Weiland is associate professor of political science at Lille Catholic University, affiliated with the European School of Political and Social Sciences (ESPOL). She is the director of the ESPOL-LAB research centre, and the head of the MA Food Politics programme.

Sabine holds a PhD in social sciences from the University of Göttingen, Germany. She participated in various German, European and international research projects in the field of environmental and sustainability governance, policy assessment, and science-policy interface. Before her appointment at the Catholic University of Lille she was working at the Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ, Leipzig, Freie Universität Berlin, Catholic University Louvain, and IDDRI/Sciences-Po Paris.

She is the spokesperson of the Working group ‘Environmental Politics/Global Change’ of the German Association of Political Science (Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft, DVPW).



Peter Groot Koerkamp
Professor Live Stock & Environment
Wageningen University & Research

Peter Groot Koerkamp is professor Biosystems Engineering at the Wageningen University & Research. The research aims at agricultural farm technology with special attention to technical design of farm systems. Amongst others, he is chairman of the board of the Nederlandse Vereniging Techniek in de Landbouw (NVTL); member of the Board of Experts of Agro / Food Animal - Stichting Milieukeur; president of the Society/chair of the board of the European Society of Agricultural Engineers; member of the theme team and climate neutral sounding board TKI Agro-Food; member of the work group Stable Assessment Emissions for the Government Service for Entrepreneurial NL (RVO), and member of the scientific program committee for the Tagung Bau, Technik und Umwelt (BTU) conference.