



## European Arable Farmers

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### EAF Annual Meeting 2017

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26 April, 2017

## “Pioneers in the Polder”

**- Programme -**  
(subject to alterations)

### **Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> 2017**

Individual Arrival at Nijkerk

Check-in at Hotel ‘De Roode Schuur’

Address: Oude Barneveldseweg 98, 3862 PS Nijkerk (NL)  
web: <http://www.deroodeschuur.nl/>

19.30 Welcome dinner

We have reserved rooms at the hotel. To book your room please mark on the registration form, EAF office will transmit your booking to the hotel.

Costs are 79.00 € per room (single or double) per night incl. breakfast, costs will be charged directly by the hotel.

### **Legal notes:**

The European Arable Farmers sincerely thank their members Willemien Verbeek, Leo de Jonge, and Egbert Jonkheer, who organized the meeting.

The bus tours are operated by our travel partner Hapag-Lloyd Reisebüro Hagen GmbH & Co. KG im Hause DOUGLAS HOLDING AG – *FIRST Business Travel* Kabeler Str. 4 D-58099 Hagen

*Willemien, Leo, and Egbert are happy to help those who want to make extra visits on Wednesday or Sunday!*

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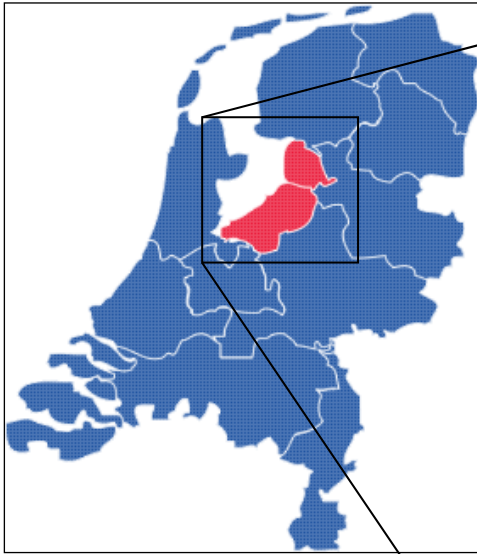
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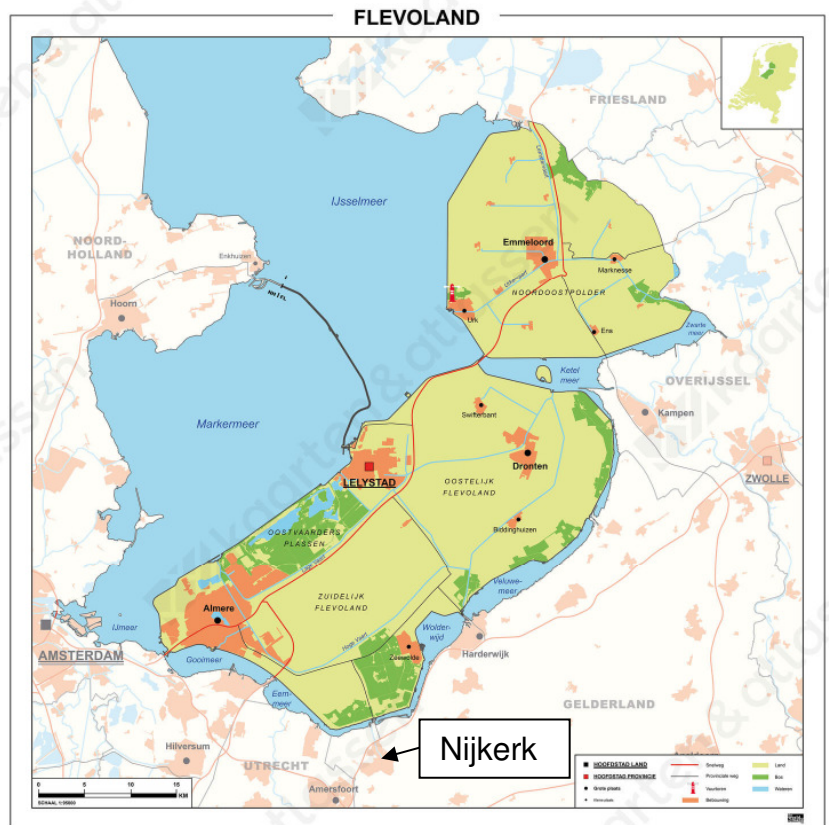
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### **Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup> 2017**

- 7.30 Depart from Nijkerk to Zeewolde
- 8.00 Visit of Thijs Geerse and Wouter Snippe, two young innovative organic farmers working together in growing crops on a large scale (potatoes, vining peas, carrots, red beets, onions, spinach, pumpkins, grass/clover). Also sorting and grading for others.
- 10.30 At the Nieuwland Museum, Lelystad, we learn about the story behind the polders of Flevoland; the largest reclamation project ever, and we see “Batavia”, a replica of a 16th century trade ship sailing to Easter Indië [www.nieuwlanderfgoed.nl](http://www.nieuwlanderfgoed.nl)
- 13.00 Lunch
- 14:00 Visit of McCain at Lelystad, potato processing (French fries) [www.mccain.nl](http://www.mccain.nl)
- 16.00 Visit of Leo’s and Willemien’s farm at Biddinghuizen
- 17.30 Visit of Leo’s and Willemien’s home farm at Zeewolde (potatoes, onions, sugar beet, wheat, tulips / wind energy)
- 19.00 Dinner on the farm



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21.00 Back to Hotel “De Roode Schuur”, Nijkerk

### **Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> 2017**

07.30 Depart from Nijkerk to Biddinghuizen

08.30 Visit of Flevosap, a company started by fruit grower Vermeulen, cultivation and processing of fruit, mainly apples, for juices. [www.flevosap.nl](http://www.flevosap.nl)

10:30 Visit of Wiersum Plantbreeding at Dronten, breeding various (grain) crops [www.wiersum-plantbreeding.nl](http://www.wiersum-plantbreeding.nl)  
Lunch at Dronten

14.00 Visit of Agrifac BV at Steenwijk, a manufacturer of beet harvesters and sprayers. Guided tour and discussion about future needs [www.agrifac.nl](http://www.agrifac.nl)

16.00 Boat trip at Giethoorn, the “Venice of the North”

18.30 Dinner at restaurant ‘Geertien’ at Muggenbeet

20.30 Back to Hotel “De Roode Schuur”, Nijkerk

### **Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> 2017**

07.30 Depart from Nijkerk to Biddinghuizen

08.30 Visit of tulip grower Frank Breg at Biddinghuizen, flowerbulbs production and processing. He is part of the network Tulips4all, which coordinates supply and demand of tulips [www.tulips4all.nl](http://www.tulips4all.nl)

11.00 Visit of the fishing village Urk and having lunch

14.00 Visit of the Damman family in Nagele. A mixed dairy and arable farm, managed by Jan Hendrik and Erik Damman, providing income for three families. The intention of the company is simplicity and flexibility in farming.

16.00 Mts. Bouma-Holtslag in Rutten, a family farm growing seed potatoes on a large scale, and also sugar beet, wheat, chicory and onions

19.00 Farewell Dinner at Nijkerk

### **Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 2017**

Individual departure from Nijkerk