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7th meeting of the Committee
on Cooperation in the Field of Agriculture

Vilnius, 6 October 2026

The seventh meeting of the Committee on Cooperation in the Field of Agriculture established under Chapter 19 of the Agreement between the European Union and Japan for an Economic Partnership (EPA) was held on 6 October 2026 in Vilnius, Lithuania.

EU participants from the European Commission's Directorate General for Agriculture and Rural Development and the Directorate General for Trade, the EU Delegation in Japan and Japanese participants from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and the Mission of Japan to the EU, exchanged in person and online information on the current trends and future perspectives in their respective principal policy initiatives.

The EU side focused on the Common Agricultural Policy post 2027. The Japanese side presented the recent updates on its agricultural policies, namely the revision of the Act on Stabilization of Supply, Demand and Prices of Staple Food. Both sides also exchanged views on innovation in agriculture, including digitalisation, the use of AI and Food Tech.

The participants also exchanged information on organic matters and continued to recognise the mutual interest in promoting trade of agri-food products between Japan and the EU.

The representatives of the EU side and the Japanese side confirmed that they would continue discussions on these topics. Both sides confirmed their willingness to continue their cooperation in the field of agriculture.