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**Italian members of parliament visit EIMA: focus on safety**

***On the third day of EIMA International, political issues related to the agricultural machinery sector were in the foreground. A delegation of Italian members of parliament was present at the exhibition and had the opportunity to get a close-up view of the innovations proposed by the exhibiting industries. House Agriculture Committee Chairman Gallinella raised the issue of farm equipment inspection. Scheduled for tomorrow, the conference of MEP Paolo De Castro.***

**"**It has been more than seven years since the legislature decided to introduce the inspection of agricultural vehicles.Since then, however, the implementing decree has still not seen the light of day, and this can no longer be delayed. The technical part, preparatory to the drafting of the standard, I believe has been completed and therefore I am waiting for the Ministry of Infrastructure and Sustainable Mobility to proceed quickly to the issuance because the not insignificant number of deaths in agriculture also depends on this". With this clarity the chairman of the Agriculture Commission of the Chamber of Deputies, Filippo Gallinella, spoke on the subject of safety in the use of agricultural vehicles and the compulsory revision, during the conference entitled "Objectives and priorities of the new National Prevention Plan", organized by Inail and held in the ambit of EIMA International. The topic was raised by the president of FederUnacoma Alessandro Malavolti during the press conference for the presentation of EIMA International, the world exhibition of agricultural and gardening machinery being held in Bologna. The law on vehicle inspections has been at a standstill for years - Malavolti noted - due to the lack of implementing decrees. Security was not the only political issue addressed in these days of the event. After yesterday's official visit to EIMA by the councillors for agriculture of all Italian regions, today saw the presence of a large delegation of members of parliament, including chairman Filippo Gallinella and senator Gianpaolo Vallardi, chairman of the Senate Agriculture Commission, who had the opportunity to get a close-up look at some of the most innovative technologies proposed by manufacturers and to take stock of the most sensitive issues concerning the agricultural machinery sector. One topic touched on by the participants was the relationship between industry, agriculture and institutions, which they hope will be increasingly close and synergistic. The major political issues relating to the primary sector and agricultural mechanization will also be the focus of the fourth day of EIMA International. Tomorrow there will be an interesting meeting (14.30, Quadriportico Hall) with Paolo De Castro, MEP, coordinator of the S&D Group in the Agriculture Committee of the European Parliament, who will address the theme "CAP: the European agricultural model and new challenges". Also tomorrow, a delegation of MEPs will visit the halls of the Bologna Exhibition Centre to get back in close contact with the sector, also in view of the "dossiers" concerning regulations and policies for mechanisation that are currently being discussed by the EU institutions.

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