



PIC2012-06-04 Santarém  
Opening Speech Agrocluster President

Bonjour, Good morning  
Buenos dias, Bongiorno  
Dzień dobry, καλημέρα  
Bom dia

My name is Carlos Lopes de Sousa and I represent the Portuguese Agrocluster.

First of all I want to welcome you and thank (particularly) to our French colleagues who had the audacity to accept our challenge to come to Portugal for its annual meeting.

It's a good rate about your availability for International cooperation.

In the cooperation, as in the life, to achieve goals, we must to work, we need to go, we need to believe. Thanks for your thrust.

I welcome now our colleagues from Brazil, Spain, Italy, Greece, Poland and obviously from Portugal.

Welcome to every one present and all the contributes that allowed this event, specially the staff from French PIC side and from our side, that in the last weeks were engaged to organize, what we think, will be one successful meeting where people, organizations and enterprises can take advantages and increase skills.

On this meeting, beyond the issues under discussion we must search for all the bridges, all the connection points, that we can use and explore on the future for one efficient and open cooperation.

Look for exchanging yours points of view, yours main activities, yours strength points, yours complementarities and convert it on cooperation.

For us the Agro-Industrial file begins on the territory and because of that and symbolically we decided to begin the meeting here in Santarem, the



capital of one of the agricultural richest regions of Portugal and make it coincide with the Agriculture National Fair.

We can not forget our Association mother NERSANT it's contributes and vision of the Cluster's policy. With that was created our Association – Agrocluster.

We hope next 2 days would be rich and pleasant for everybody.  
Have a nice meeting

Thanks again, Carlos Lopes de Sousa