

## DEAR FRIENDS, DEAR NEIGHBOURS,

**I urgently need your help!** But not only me, above all the bees and other pollinating insects and rural agriculture need your help!

**Our food production is in danger! Bees, butterflies and other insects are dying out due to the use of pesticides.** Yet they provide a third of our food through pollination. In order to prevent their extinction, many committed bee rescuers like me are collecting signatures for **the European Citizens' Initiative "Save Bees and Farmers"** all over Europe. We need a total of one million signatures, then the EU Commission will have to take into consideration our demands.

In pre-Covid times, we could have met in the street, in the market square or at local community events and I would have collected signatures for the initiative there. I choose this unusual path because at the moment many of these opportunities are on hold. **I want to continue to fight for the ban of toxic pesticides, the preservation of biodiversity and sustainable, ecological agriculture. That is why I have sent you a paper form for signing.**

**Please, sign the European Citizens' Initiative "Save Bees and Farmers" and distribute this list and other lists** to family members, flatmates and friends so that they can also sign and motivate other people to do the same. **Here you can download and print more lists and this letter:**  
[https://www.savebeesandfarmers.eu/w/files/lettersdearneighbour/letter\\_nl.pdf](https://www.savebeesandfarmers.eu/w/files/lettersdearneighbour/letter_nl.pdf)

### I count on you and your help! Every signature matters!

Fill in all fields correctly and completely (more information on the next page). Please drop the completed signature lists in my mailbox or send them directly to the ECI "Save Bees and Farmers" Office (you will find the address at the bottom of the paper form).

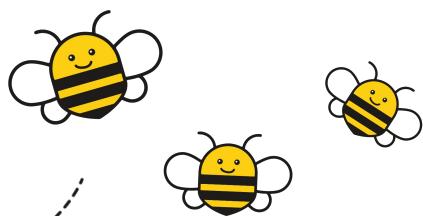
**Thank you for your support! \***

Your neighbour

Name:

Street & Number:

Postcode:



\* You can also easily sign the initiative online and share it on social media.



# European Citizens' Initiative "Save Bees and Farmers"

## Collection information:

A European Citizens' Initiative (ECI) is an official tool of political participation covered by EU law. If we succeed in collecting one million signatures for our ECI, the EU Commission is legally obliged to respond to our demands.

### What do I have to keep in mind when collecting signatures?

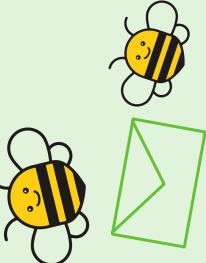
- **All fields must be filled in completely and legibly and you must sign.**  
**Only then will your vote be counted.** In the nationality field write "Dutch" or "The Netherlands" DO NOT use abbreviations like "NL" for "The Netherlands" or „Dutch".

#### Please fill in all fields completely (**WITHOUT abbreviations**) and legibly and sign - only then is your vote valid!

Signatures are collected on official ECI lists. Which data is collected is determined by the respective EU member States. In order for your signature to be valid and counted, You must fill in all fields completely and sign.

- On the Dutch lists, which are marked with "NL" in the top right-hand corner, all adult citizens of an EU member state who are registered in The Netherlands can sign. In addition, citizens who are registered abroad and have informed the Dutch authorities of their residence can sign.

- **The signatures are valid even if only one, two or three persons have signed on one sheet.**



#### How can I stay informed?

You can also sign the initiative online at  
[www.savebeesandfarmers.eu](http://www.savebeesandfarmers.eu) and subscribe to our newsletter to stay informed about the current status of the campaign.



**Information and answers to content-related and technical questions about the ECI can be found online at:**  
[www.savebeesandfarmers.eu](http://www.savebeesandfarmers.eu)





# **Europees Burgerinitiatief: RED DE BIJEN EN DE BOEREN! Naar een bijvriendelijke landbouw**

## ONDERWERP:

Om de gezondheid van zowel de bij als de mens te beschermen roepen wij de Commissie op rechtshandelingen voor te stellen om synthetische pesticiden tegen 2035 geledelijk te elimineren, om de biodiversiteit te herstellen en om landbouwers bij de omschakeling te steunen.

BEIANGBLÄCKSTE DÖELEN:

- Synthetische pesticiden in de EU-landbouw tegen 2030 geleidelijk met 80 % verminderen, te beginnen met de gevaarlijkste, om vervolgens tot een volledige afschaffing te komen tegen 2035; - natuurlijke ecosystemen in landbouwgebieden herstellen zodat de landbouw een drijvende kracht wordt achter het herstel van de biodiversiteit; - de landbouw hervormen door prioriteit te geven aan kleinschalige, gediversifieerde en duurzame landbouwpraktijken, ondersteuning te bieden voor een snelle uitbreiding van agro-ecologische en biologische praktijken en mogelijkheden te bieden voor onafhankelijke opleiding en onafhankelijk onderzoek op het gebied van pesticide- en GMO-vrije landbouw.

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IN TE VULLEN IN BES-



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