

2026



GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING ALMERIA, SPAIN

Updated 12/03/2026

16-17 March 2026 - PROGRAMME

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MONDAY 16 MARCH - TECHNICAL VISITS

Activity reserved for AREFLH members only.

- 15:00 Departure from Almería by bus. Meeting point : Terminal Bus Almeria, Plaza de los peces, Almeria [Locate it on Google maps](#)
- Vicasol 2 La Mojonera [Carr. de la Mojonera, 3767, 04738, Almería](#)
 - Estación Experimental Cajamar, [Paraje las Palmerillas, 25, 04710 El Ejido, Almería](#)
 - CIT COEX COEXPHAL, [Av. de las Cantinas, 2, 04746 La Mojonera, Almería](#)
- 18.40 Return to Almería centre.
- 21.00 Cocktail dinner at [El Candelero](#) Playa de las Almadrabillas, s/n, Almeria

TUESDAY 17 MARCH - GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND PUBLIC CONFERENCE

Venue

Yacimiento Arqueológico Barrio Andalusí,

A unique space of historical heritage located beneath the Alcazaba of Almería
Calle Fernández, 70, Almería
[Google map link](#)

Morning reserved for AREFLH members

- 08.15** Meeting point at the Plaza de la Administración Vieja ([Google Maps link](#)) where a little train will take those who wish not to walk up to the Yacimiento Arqueológico.
- 08.30** Welcome of participants
- 09.00** Two parallel meetings
- Meeting of the College of Regions
 - Meeting of the College of Producers, Expert and Associate Members
- 10.30** Coffee break

The event will be translated into French, Spanish, English and Italian

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11.00 General Assembly

- Presentation of the 2025 activity report
- Presentation of the 2025 accounts and the 2026 budget
- Presentation of the new members

13.30 Lunch

Public conference (open to all, in Almeria and online)

15.00 **Opening speech by Ramón Fernández Pacheco**, Agriculture Minister of Andalusia Region and AREFLH President

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15.20 Round table: **The future of sectorial interventions in the next CAP. Debate between AREFLH and members of the European Institutions**

Moderator : **Manuel Gómez Galera**, Secretary General for Agriculture, Livestock and Food of the Regional Government of Andalusia

- **Robert M'barek**, Joint Research Center, Agricultural Economist at Unit D.4
- **Kerstin Rosenow**, European Commission, DG AGRI, Head of Unit B1
- **Miguel Barrachina Ros**, Valencia Region, Agriculture Minister. Presentation on the CAP desired by the sector, at the heart of the Council's discussions"
- **Alessio Mammi**, agriculture minister of Emilia-Romagna region and rapporteur for the opinion on CMO and EU school schemes at the Committee of the Regions
- **Lisa Martini**, AREFLH Vice-president
- Video of **Carmen Crespo Díaz**, MEP, member of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development
- Video of **Cristina Maestre**, MEP, member of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

16.50 Coffee break

17.10 **Artificial Intelligence and digitalisation : when technology meets the field**

Moderator : Wim Rodenburg, DPA/GRoentenFruit Huis

- **Luis Sanchez Alvarez** (Head of Sector "New Research and Innovation Concepts" Mission Soil of the Unit F.2, DG AGRI)
- **Jennifer Champenois**, Pays de la Loire Region, Agricultural Innovation Project Manager, Agricultural Engineering Department, (online participation)
- **Steven Boen**, founder of the multifunctional platform Care4growing
- **Esteban Baeza**, researcher and coordinator at Coexphal Innovation Center.

18.20 -18.30 **End of the public conference**

18.30 A little train will bring participants who wish, down to the city centre.

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RECOMMENDED HOTELS

AIRE Hotel & Ancient Bath Almería

The AREFLH team will be hosted in this hotel
Plaza de la Constitución, 4, 04003 Almería.

www.airehotelalmeria.com

750 m from the General Assembly venue (10 min walking distance)

Hotel Nuevo Torreluz

Plaza de las Flores, 10, 04001 Almería.

www.torreluz.com

900m from the General Assembly venue (12 min walking distance)

Hotel Costasol

Paseo de Almería, 58, 04001 Almería.

www.hotelcostasol.com

1,3km from the General Assembly venue (17 min walking distance)

AC Hotel Almería by Marriott

Plaza de las Flores, 5, 04001 Almería.

acbymarriott.hotelalmeria.org

950 m from the General Assembly venue (13 min walking distance)

The AREFLH General Meeting is organised with the support of the Junta de Andalucía, and Coexpthal, the Association of Organizations of Fruit and Vegetable Producers of the province of Almería.

