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## **BALANCING AGRICULTURAL AND WATER CONCERNS**

### **Developing Best Practices**

**October 4, 2011**  
**George Marshall Center**  
**2 rue Saint-Florentin, Paris 75001**

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10h00      Opening: Philip Breedon, Minister Counselor for Public Affairs  
                 US Embassy Paris

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#### **Roundtable 1: Agriculture and Water – Current Status and Impact of Climate Change**

*When the well is dry, we know the worth of water. – Benjamin Franklin*

**Moderator: Emmanuel Grenier, French Association of Environmental Journalists (AJE)**

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10h10      Megan Stubbs, Congressional Research Service (CRS): Agriculture and Water in  
                 the US

10h40      Question & Answer

10h50      Carole Zakine, Société des Agriculteurs de France (Farmers of France)

11h05      Daniel Martin, President, Irrigants de France (Irrigation Association of France)

11h20      Academia and research:

- Ellen Hanak, Public Policy Institute of California
- Bernard Barraqué, Research Director at National Center for Scientific Research (CNRS), associate professor at AgroParistech
- Bernard Itier, Research Director at NRA (French Institute for Agricultural Research)

12h20      Question and Answer

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12h40          Lunch on your own

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**Roundtable 2: Agriculture and Water – Stakeholders Finding Common Ground**

**Moderator: Erik Massin, President, AFJA (French Association of Agricultural Journalists)**

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14h15          Water Movie Clips  
*Troubled Waters*  
*Saving a National Treasure*

14h25          Erik Michelsen – Executive Director, South River Federation – The Chesapeake Bay and the South River; role of NGOs and public-private partnerships

14h50          Cyril Portalez, Regional Director, Agence de l’Eau Seine Normandie

15h05          Guillaume Cortot, France Nature Environnement (NGO) – Similarities and differences in the French and US non-governmental practices

15h20          Question and Answer

15h30          Jon Scholl, President, American Farmland Trust - US Farmers’ Views

15h55          Christiane Lambert – First vice-president, FNSEA (French Farmers Union)

16h10          Megan Stubbs, CRS: 2012 Farm Bill – role of Congress, government and lobbies

16h35          Question and Answer

16h45          Co-Closing Remarks:  
Bernard Barraqué, Research director at CNRS and professor at  
ENGREF-AgroParis-Tech  
Wendela C. Moore, Minister Counselor for Economic Affairs, US Embassy Paris

17h00          End