FIELD DAY of the CONGRESS

Thursday 7th June 2018

Programme of the Field day

Visits: Flax processing cooperative at Le Neubourg, visit of a flax and sugar beet farm, Château du Champ de Bataille

Lunch: Cocktail Barbecue at the Château du Champ de Bataille

The field day is organised in the Eure region in Normandy on the topic of flax cultivation. Normandy is the main production area of flax for textiles worldwide. Five flax processing factories are located in this region, of which two at Le Neubourg.

The Le Neubourg plain is a cultural landscape where fields of wheat, barley, rapeseed, flax and sugar beet cover almost 75% of the surface.

Around Neubourg you can find the research center of Arvalis, two flax processing factories, and 5 grain traders.

8.15 am Departure from Hotels in Deauville
9.30 am Discover flax cultivation (3 groups)
   − Flax processing cooperative – factory visit
   − Flax processing cooperative – presentation of the crop
   − Meeting with a flax and sugar beet farmer
12.45 pm Departure to the Château du Champ de Bataille
1.15 pm Cocktail Barbecue at the Château
2.30 pm Free visit of the castle and gardens

The castle was built in the 17th century for the count Alexandre de Créqui-Bernieuxelles. It is owned by Jacques Garcia, famous French interior architect, who did immense restoration work. The gardens were recreated by André Le Nôtre.

3.30 pm Departure to Roissy/Paris Porte Maillot
or: Visit of the Indian Palace/greenhouses
5 pm Bus departure to Deauville, arrival approximately 6.30 pm