



# Jan Huitema

Member of the European Parliament

**Jan Huitema is a Dutch politician and current Member of the European Parliament (MEP) for the Netherlands.**

During his first term starting in 2014, Huitema was a member of the AGRI Committee, where he served as rapporteur on fertiliser products and water reuse. Huitema also worked to change the definition of animal manure and opposed granting patents on the natural properties found in vegetables and plants.

In 2019, Huitema was re-elected to a second term and joined the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety.

In September 2020, Huitema was nominated as rapporteur on the Circular Economy Action Plan.

Huitema is the son of a Dutch dairy farmer and helped run the family farm for a decade. To gain knowledge about agricultural businesses around the world, he volunteered on farms in Argentina, New Zealand, Australia and Vietnam. He has a Bachelor's degree in Animal Sciences and a Masters in Animal Production Systems, both from Wageningen University.