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**Seminar on**

***The implementation of the milk package at  
national level and other measures to  
complement it***

**Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2012 from 9.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.**

at Copa-Cogeca  
Rue de Trèves, 61  
1040 Brussels

In view of the full entry into force of the Regulation (EU) No 261/2012 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 as regards contractual relations in the milk and milk products sector on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2012, Member States had to prepare implementing legislation. The seminar will look into the national legislation of several Member States with a view to understanding the differences in implementation on the basis of each country's specificity. Certain aspects which have been addressed in the High Level Group on Milk discussions, such as research and innovation in the dairy sector will be equally approached. Since restructuring is essential in the dairy sector in view of the continuation of activity in sensitive areas, a debate on this aspect is foreseen.

The aim of the seminar is:

- to disseminate and provide a framework for the exchange of information on national implementing provisions regarding the “milk package” in view of facilitating an analysis of its impact
- to identify future proposals to complement the measures recently introduced, in line with what has been discussed within the High Level Group on Milk
- to raise the awareness on research needs and priorities in the dairy sector
- to evaluate the restructuring in the dairy sector at Member State level

EU needs a dairy policy which meets the three strategic objectives: combat extreme volatility, a fair revenue for milk producers and a dairy production carried out throughout the entire EU.

## Draft programme

- 8.30-9.30 Registration of participants
- 9.30-9.45 Welcome speech by Pekka Pesonen, Secretary-General of Copa-Cogeca
- Opening of the seminar by Mansel Raymond, Chairman of the Working Party on Milk and Dairy Products

### Session I: Implementation of the “milk package” at national level

- 9.45-10.00 *Milk market situation and forecasts.* Presentation by Luis Carazo Jimenez, Head of Unit - Market for animal products, European Commission (tbc)

#### *Implementation of the “milk package”: mandatory contracts*

- 10.00-10.15 *Implementation of the “milk package” in France and expected impact.* Presentation by Solenne Levron, FNPL
- 10.15-10.30 *Implementation of the “milk package” in Hungary and expected impact.* Presentation by György Endrodi, Hungarian Chambers of Agriculture
- 10.30-10.45 *Implementation of the “milk package” in Spain and expected impact.* Presentation by Roman Santalla Agra, UPA
- 10.45-11.00 **Questions and answers**

#### *Implementation of the “milk package”: voluntary contracts*

- 11.00-11.15 *Implementation of the “milk package” in Germany and expected impact.* Presentation by Simon W. Schlüter, DBV
- 11.15-11.30 *Implementation of the “milk package” in Denmark and expected impact.* Presentation by Esben Tranholm Nielsen, Danish Agriculture & Food Council
- 11.30-11.45 *Implementation of the “milk package” in Ireland and expected impact.* Presentation by Catherine Lascurettes, IFA
- 11.45-12.00 *Implementation of the “milk package” in United Kingdom and expected impact.* Presentation by Robert Newbury, NFU
- 12.00-12.15 *Implementation of the “milk package” in Poland and expected impact.* Presentation by Zbigniew Urny, Federation of Agricultural Producers Unions
- 12.15-12.30 *Implementation of the “milk package” in Finland and expected impact.* Presentation by Sami Kilpeläinen, MTK

12.30-12.45 **Questions and answers**

12.45-13.00 **General debate. Follow-up**

**Lunch break**

## **Session II: Other measures to complement the “milk package”**

### ***Research and innovation in the dairy sector***

14.30-14.45 *Reflection of the Copa-Cogeca Task Force on Research and Innovation in the Dairy Sector.* Presentation by Mansel Raymond, Chairman of Copa-Cogeca Working Party on Milk and Dairy Products

14.45-15.00 *Research opportunities for the dairy sector.* Presentation by Martin Scheele, Head of Unit - Environment, Genetic Resources and European Innovation Partnership, European Commission (tbc)

15.00-15.15 *Research initiatives and priorities for the dairy sector in the Netherlands - European Cattle Innovation Partnership.* Presentation by Klaas Johan Osinga, LTO

15.15-15.30 *Research initiatives and priorities for the dairy sector in Denmark.* Presentation by Pia M. Nissen, Danish Agriculture & Food Council

15.30-15.45 *Research initiatives and priorities for the dairy sector in France.* Presentation by Patrick Ramet, FNPL

15.45-16.00 **Questions and answers**

### ***Restructuring in the dairy sector***

16.00-16.15 *Reflection of the Copa-Cogeca Task Force on Restructuring in the Dairy Sector.* Presentation by Mansel Raymond, Chairman of Copa-Cogeca Working Party on Milk and Dairy Products

16.15-16.30 *Restructuring of the dairy sector. Pillar II approach - the use of funds for restructuring in the dairy sector.* Presentation by Martin Scheele, Head of Unit - Environment, Genetic Resources and European Innovation Partnership, European Commission (tbc)

16.30-16.45 **Debate on future actions**

16.45-17.00 **Summary and conclusions of the seminar**

Simultaneous interpretation into all Copa-Cogeca working languages (DE, EN, ES, FR, IT and PL) will be provided.

A sandwich lunch is foreseen.