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## **EU MUST MAINTAIN CONTINUITY OF MARKETS FOR LIVESTOCK AND FEED PRODUCTS DURING UK/EU BREXIT NEGOTIATIONS**

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FEFAC calls for collaborative efforts between the UK and the EU-27 to avoid any disruption in agricultural trade as from the start of the formal Brexit negotiations. FEFAC draws attention to the sensitivity of the Article 50 discussions for agricultural markets and warns for potential impacts on the livestock and feed chain, both in the UK and the EU-27. FEFAC stresses the need to implement effective safeguard measures during the entire negotiation period to maintain fully functioning and accessible agricultural markets, in the interest of all European consumers, livestock farmers and market partners.

FEFAC members are convinced that a comprehensive free trade agreement between the UK and the EU-27, based on EU standards, would be the best outcome for the EU and UK feed & livestock sector. FEFAC has set up a dedicated Brexit Task Force to analyse potential trade impacts of the Brexit negotiations on the EU feed & livestock sector.

### **Notes to the editor:**

1. FEFAC, the European Compound Feed Manufacturers' Federation, represents 24 national Associations in 23 EU Member States as well as Associations in Switzerland, Turkey, Serbia, Russia and Norway with observer/associate member status. The European compound feed industry employs over 100,000 persons on app. 3,500 production sites often in rural areas, which offer few employment opportunities.
2. Farm animals in the EU-28 consume an estimated 480 million tonnes of feed a year, of which about 30% are produced by the compound feed manufacturers. Turnover of the European compound feed industry is estimated at € 50 billion.
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