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## **FEFAC RELEASES ITS PUBLICATION ON THE FEED INDUSTRY'S USE OF CO-PRODUCTS**

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On 3 June 2019, FEFAC released its publication called "[Co-products, an essential part of animal nutrition](#)", which aims to create increased awareness among EU stakeholders and policy makers about the feed industry's extensive use of co-products. The publication describes how co-products such as brewers' grains, sugar beet pulp and wheat bran are generated during food and biofuel production, as well as what their value is in compound feed. The use of co-products is an illustration of the role European compound feed manufacturers play in the food chain's circular economy, creating economic and environmental benefits for both the original production process and the livestock sector.

FEFAC President Nick Major: "A key strength of the European feed industry is its capacity and knowledge to safely convert co-products into nutritious animal feed. However, there should be increased awareness of the fact that the use of these co-products resulting from food, drink and biofuel production plays key role in (food) waste prevention and helps to significantly reduce the environmental footprint of industrial compound feed and livestock production".

The co-products brochure will be handed out at FEFAC's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event on 6 June 2019 in Brussels with the conference theme "Resource Efficiency Champions of the Food Chain for 60 Years".

**Notes to the editor:**

1. FEFAC, the European Compound Feed Manufacturers' Federation, represents 23 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 490 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.
3. For more information see our web site ([www.fefac.eu](http://www.fefac.eu)) or please contact Alexander Döring, Secretary General Tel. +32-2-285.00.50, Fax +32-2-230.57.22, e-mail: [fefac@fefac.eu](mailto:fefac@fefac.eu).