

News on FEFANA National Platforms

Brussels, 03 March 2010 -- FEFANA works as an integrated European network, assuring its representation in the EU Member States via National Platforms. This includes representation vis-à-vis national authorities and industry partners, and information to and coordination with national feed additive and premixture operators.

FEFANA believes that active communication with its partners at national level is fundamental and it remains a priority for the organization, as it sets the basis of a good working relationship. The following information following some recent developments at FEFANA National Platforms in Austria and Denmark demonstrates this strategic move.

Official launch of FEFANA Austria

During a meeting that took place in Vienna on 8 October 2009, the FEFANA Member companies based in Austria formally formed its own National Platform. From now on, the interests of FEFANA Austrian Members will be represented through this Platform, ensuring stronger visibility in the country as well as across the wider FEFANA structure.

FEFANA was already very active in this country, but the increased number of meetings with the national authorities and other relevant events demanded for a more formal representation in Austria. It is the main reason why the Platform has just been adopted.

The founding Members of the new Platform are:

- *Biomin GmbH*
- *Delacon Biotechnik GmbH*
- *DSM Nutritional Products*
- *Lactosan GmbH & Co.KG*
- *Lohmann Animal Health*

Frank Chmitelin, President of FEFANA, welcomed this initiative which will bring a more official representation to our Austrian Members and therefore lead to a better defence of the interests shown by the feed additive and premixture industry in that country.

FEFANA Austria is already active and can be contacted through its manager, Dr. Thorsten Guthke, via email at tgu@fefana.org.

Karsten Poulsen, new Chairman of FEFANA Denmark

FEFANA Denmark unanimously elected Karsten Poulsen (*Trouw Nutrition*) as its new chairman during a meeting that took place in Copenhagen on Friday 29 January 2010.

Tribute was also paid to his predecessor, Svend Laulund (*Chr. Hansen*), who chaired the Platform for the last two and a half years. Karsten Poulsen took the opportunity to thank him for his hard work on behalf of the Platform.

The FEFANA secretariat is looking forward to providing support and collaboration to the new Chairman, hoping this new stage will offer new successes and opportunities for the Danish feed additive and premixture industry.

About FEFANA

FEFANA is the EU Feed Additives and Premixtures Association. It was established on 13 October 2004 and is the new juridical form of the feed additives operators association which was originally founded in 1963. With more than 100 members from 28 countries, the Association is the interface between the feed additives industry and the European Union authorities, including Member States authorities, in order to promote, safeguard and defend common and general interests of the industry (in several topics like guidelines, register, labelling and definitions, analysis, feed hygiene and food chain safety or non-feed use of additives). FEFANA's President is Dr. Frank Chmitelin of *Adisseo*.

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