



General information

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Step of the food chain represented (e.g. primary production, production, processing, trade, retail)	Animal feed production for food producing animals
Representativeness (please explain who you represent, including the type and number of members, geographical scope, etc.)	FEFAC represents 27 national associations in the 26 European countries. The European compound feed industry employs over 100,000 persons on app. 3,200 production sites often in rural areas, which offer few employment opportunities.

By signing the Agri-Food Code, associations pledge to:

- *promote and disseminate this Code with(in) their constituency/ies;*

✓ **Describe your promotion and dissemination activities linked to the Code (e.g. internal meetings, workshops, social media posts).**

On 17 October 2025, FEFAC published the [5th edition](#) of its Feed Sustainability Charter 2030 Progress Report, marking the halfway point of the Charter's implementation timeline since its launch in 2020. The report provides an overview of progress made by the European feed industry in advancing the Charter's five ambitions—climate neutrality, responsible sourcing, animal health and welfare, resource efficiency, and socio-economic resilience—while addressing the impact of a rapidly changing geopolitical and regulatory environment. Each ambition is coupled to a relevant aspirational target of the Code of Conduct.

- *encourage their members to align their sustainability actions and/or business practices to the aspirational objectives and targets of the Code and invite them, on a voluntary basis, to adhere to this Code, as appropriate;*

✓ **Describe whether/how this was reflected in the messages delivered through the promotion and dissemination activities, and whether/how any specific actions were undertaken**
(e.g. inclusion of the Code in the association's vision or mission).

FEFAC seeks to highlight the direct connection between the two initiatives for its membership, who are also invited to co-sign the EU Code of Conduct. FEFAC is aware that key leading EU compound feed manufacturers have adopted comprehensive sustainability targets at company level however there still seem to be barriers to co-signing the Code, mainly due to its B2C orientation. FEFAC would therefore recommend to draw more attention on the importance of B2B commitments within the Code's framework, as many of the "low hanging fruits" which are required to assist with the transition towards more sustainable food systems can be "reaped" at the "pre-farm" gate level.

- *explore the possibility of developing sector-specific tools and resources in support of this Code;*

✓ **Describe whether/how your association developed or explored the development of sector-specific tools and resources in support of the Code.**

For several years already FEFAC is involved in harmonizing environmental footprinting metrics including Feed LCA database projects. The [PEFCR Feed for Food-Producing Animals](#) and the [GFLI Database](#) are two sector-specific tools that provide industry needs for harmonized methodology and data use. In particular the GFLI Database is making increasing impact, with 4 FEFAC members (DE, DK, FR, NL) engaged on "bulk licensing". This enables the use by SMEs of the GFLI Database in the respective countries, marking an important step towards mainstream market uptake. The GFLI is also in the process of launching a dataset generator tool, which is something the European Commission services have never been able to develop. This piece of software will strongly reduce the economic and administrative burdens for feed ingredients suppliers to develop and model PEF-compliant datasets based on primary activity data, which at this stage still entails significant costs due to needed LCA consultancy hours.

- *continue to engage in dialogue with other food chain/systems actors and EU and international policy-makers to forge (new) relationships, exchange good practices and discuss challenges encountered, learn from each other (studies, projects) and create better mutual understanding, and identify opportunities for collaboration and potential partnership.*

✓ **Describe whether/how you engaged with other partners in the food chain.**

On 31 March 2026, FEFAC released its Recommendations regarding measures and tools to mitigate the EU dependency upon Third Countries for access to essential nutritional feed additives ([\(26\) MEMO 13](#)). These recommendations, based on a survey of a panel of compound feed and premixtures manufacturers is the second step of the FEFAC action plan on Feed Additives Vulnerability, after the publication in September 2025 of an [evaluation study](#) of the EU dependency for vitamins and amino acids. The main message of this recommendation is that urgent action is needed and should consist primarily of supportive measures aimed at restoring the competitiveness of the EU producers of vitamins and amino acids by reducing production costs (raw materials, energy) and facilitating access to finance. This report has been very well-received by partners in the food chain, providing insights into a domain of sustainable sourcing that has been largely uncovered until recently.