

COCERAL Statement

Brussels, 17 May 2023 – There have been several rumours that crops of inferior quality have been placed on the EU market. COCERAL members, which trade agricultural raw materials destined to the supply of the food and feed chains, as well as for technical and energy uses, are vigilant when receiving shipments whether the goods are originated from EU member countries or from import.

Commodities placed on the EU market must respect the high safety standards established in the EU legislation and COCERAL members are fully committed to ensure this compliance.

All consignments from any origin are tested and our members reject any cargoes that could potentially have a negative impact on human and animal health. This strict process is part of the daily practice that COCERAL's traders have in place under their risk assessment and risk management responsibilities.

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COCERAL is the European association of trade in cereals, oilseeds, rice, pulses, olive oil, oils and fats, animal feed and agrosupply

- It represents the interest of the European collectors, traders, importers, exporters and port storekeepers of the above-mentioned agricultural products.
- COCERAL members represent a wide array of companies who trade agricultural raw materials destined to the supply of the food and feed chains, as well as for technical and energy uses, and operate at every step of the agri supply chain.
 - 20 national trade associations
 - 16 countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Sweden, Switzerland, UK
 - Associate members : AIC, VSGF, UNISTOCK agri commodities port storekeepers
 - Extraordinary members : GAFTA
 - 14 Corporate members : ADM, Ameropa, Bunge, Cargill, Cefetra, CerealCom,CHS Inc, Copenhagen Merchants, InVivo, LDC, Schepens & Co, Vanden Avenne Commodities, Viterra, Zitni Terminals.