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FEDIOL's General Assembly elects new President

Brussels, 11 June 2020 - At its meeting held on Thursday, 11 June 2020 in Brussels, the General Assembly of FEDIOL, the association representing the EU vegetable oil and protein meal industry, confirmed the unanimous election of Mr Roger Janson as President of FEDIOL for a two years' mandate, 2020-2022. Mr Janson is group leader for Cargill's Agricultural Supply Chain (CASC) Europe, Middle East and Africa. He joined the FEDIOL Executive Board in June 2015.

Mr John Grossmann from ADM (Archer Daniels Midland Company) has been elected Vice-President of FEDIOL, after having reached the term of his two-year mandate as President. Mr Grossmann is President EMEA Oilseeds at Archer Daniels Midland Company.

In the aftermath of the COVID19 crisis, which has shown the importance of a resilient food system, FEDIOL will be actively engaged in the transition towards enhanced sustainability, as outlined in the recent Farm-to-Fork strategy. This will require to address potential ambiguities in the plan to reduce the environmental impact of our food system, while at the same time ensuring a continuous supply to the food and non-food markets.

"I look forward to engaging on the announced initiatives linked to the European Green Deal and to supporting the policy process together with the teams of FEDIOL experts" declared Roger Janson at the outcome of the General Assembly meeting. Commenting on the outlook of the challenges ahead, he added: "We are conscious of the responsibility of our industry in this green transition, and we will play our role in ensuring the implications of certain EU policy choices for our supply chains in Europe and beyond are understood and taken into account".

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Note to editors:

FEDIOL, the EU vegetable oil and protein meal industry association, represents the interests of the European oilseed crushers, vegetable oil refiners and bottlers. FEDIOL members are 10 national associations and associated company members in 7 other EU countries.

With about 180 facilities in Europe, the sector provides 20,000 direct employments. Its members process approximately 55 million tonnes of raw materials a year, both of EU origin and imported from third country markets. The sector crushes oilseeds, notably rapeseed, sunflower seed, soybeans and linseed into oils and meals and refines those crude oils from crushing and crude tropical oils, notably palm oil, palm kernel oil and coconut oil. The meals and the crude and refined oils are sold for food, feed, technical and energy uses essentially on the European market.

More information can be found on the FEDIOL website.

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