



## **Press Release**

### **FEDIOL welcomes a decisive step towards setting a regulatory limit on trans fatty acids**

**Brussels, 10 December 2018** - For FEDIOL, the endorsement by Member States on 7 November 2018 of the Commission's proposal to set a maximum limit on the use of trans fatty acids (TFA) in food products is a welcome step towards a harmonized regulatory approach in the EU.

Once approved, after controls by the Parliament and the Council, the EU legislation will further support the efforts undertaken by industry to reduce the presence of trans fats in foods and will consolidate the national TFA laws that have emerged in recent years.

The proposal is meant to tackle remaining hotspots in some products and in few EU countries with a view to enhance consumer protection and to ensure a level playing field for all operators across the EU.

#### **Note to editors:**

FEDIOL, the EU vegetable oil and proteinmeal industry association, represents the interests of the European oilseed crushers, vegetable oil refiners and bottlers. FEDIOL members are 12 national associations and associated company members in 5 other EU countries. With about 180 facilities in Europe, the sector provides 20,000 direct employments. Its members process approximately 55 million tonnes of basic products a year, both of EU origin and imported from third country markets. The sector processes notably rapeseed, sunflower seed, soybeans and linseed into oils and meals for food, feed, technical and energy uses essentially on the European market.

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