



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Between the
U.S. Dairy Export Council
And
Eucolait

An alliance to strengthen innovation and trade, share information, and bolster the image of dairy between the U.S. Dairy Export Council and Eucolait

The U.S. Dairy Export Council (USDEC) and the Eucolait (hereinafter, the "Parties") hereby agree to sign a Memorandum of Understanding that sets forth the basis of the Working Agreement between the Parties, as follows:

Objective

- Facilitate the exchange of knowledge and collaboration on relevant issues of mutual interest between the parties, including trade and economics.
- Proactively promote alignment in support of common policy priorities in international forums (e.g., CODEX, FAO, WOAHA, WHO, UN FCCC, UNEP, etc.).
- Participate regularly in discussions and knowledge sharing on sustainability, sustainable food systems, and other environmental/production issues facing dairy producers and impacting the trade of dairy products.
- Work collaboratively to facilitate global trade and remove barriers in third party countries to dairy product exports from Europe and the United States.
- Reciprocally support effective and aligned participation of the parties within international organizations, including all those that establish policies that impact the agricultural sector.

- Promote the development of science-based international standards and guidelines that support the pre-competitive operation of world markets and the international trade of agricultural products based on standards.
- Promote the recognition and support of influential actors in relation to the fundamental role of livestock, animal protein and dairy products, specifically in advancing sustainable development and more sustainable food systems.

Cooperation Actions

- Receive, distribute and discuss information related to international trade and economics, regulatory standards discussed in international forums, as well as measures implemented by private parties or third countries that may represent potential barriers to the production and marketing of milk and milk products.
- Establish a process to communicate and encourage action by the parties to counter specific concerns that could damage the image of the agriculture sector, particularly dairy and livestock producers, or the ability of the parties, their members, or their sectors to produce, promote and market products.
- Work to promote and develop stronger alliances with other similar organizations globally in order to protect the common interests of the dairy sector.
- Establish a line of communication in order to coordinate efforts when common interests or market access in third party countries are affected and have an impact on our industries.
- Monitor international policies and regulatory issues that impact the dairy sector, especially those related to trade issues in world markets.
- Facilitate, as often as decided upon by the parties, events, seminars, conferences, virtual exchanges, etc. that promote the transfer of knowledge and improve mutual understanding on relevant issues such as economics, global trade, sustainability, and food systems.
- Facilitate conversations between the parties regarding common food terms.
- Hold meetings at least once a year in person or virtually to review major topics of interest and collaboration.

Conditions of Cooperation

This cooperation is entered into by the Parties voluntarily and without financial commitment.

Effective Period and Renewal

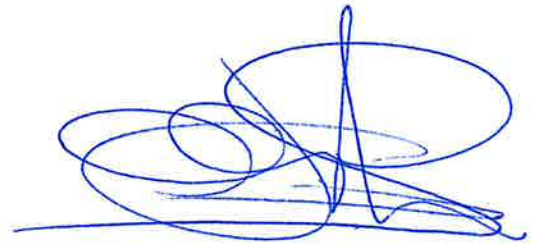
The agreement will be effective from the date of its signing until 31 December 2024 and may be renewed by agreement of the Parties.

Warsaw, 25th May 2023



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