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**The International Platform of Insects for Food and Feed**

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The International Platform of Insects for Food and Feed (IPIFF) - the focal point of the European insect sector in EU's capital, Brussels, welcomes the vote of the EU Member States on the authorisation of insect processed animal proteins (PAPs) in poultry and pig feed.

On the 13th of April, the EU Member States voted in favour (reaching qualified majority) of a draft regulation that aims at amending the Section F of Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 - allowing the use of insect PAPs in poultry and pig nutrition. This proposal represents a relevant milestone for the European insect sector, as it marks one of the key steps in the authorisation process. In line with the EU procedures, the entry into force of this proposal is expected around the end of the 3rd quarter of 2021<sup>[1]</sup>.

<sup>[1]</sup> **Note:** This amendment follows the authorisation of insect PAPs in aquaculture feed from July 2017 (voted by the EU Member States in December 2016) and will open two of the most relevant EU animal feed markets, which represent circa 65% of the EU compound feed production. Following the entry into force of this implementing regulation, the demand for insects as feed is expected to grow, leading to an increase in the production capacity of the sector (for further reference, please refer to the IPIFF market factsheet on insects as feed). More information on possible frequently asked questions (FAQs) on this matter are presented in the [IPIFF FAQs on the authorisation of insect PAPs in poultry and pig feed](#).

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