The International Platform of Insects for Food and Feed

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IPIFF acclaims the EU approval to use insect proteins in poultry and pig feed

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 European Commission adoption of the decision to use insect proteins in poultry and pig feed.[1]

In line with the applicable EU rules[2], this adoption follows the ‘green light’ given by the EU Member States on April 13th this year[3], as well as a positive vote of the ENVI Committee of the European Parliament from June 22nd[4]. Seen as one of the key regulatory developments in upscaling the European insect sector, this authorisation is expected to enter into force in the course of September[4].

[1] On August 17th, the Commission adopted the decision to amend the feed ban regulation, allowing the use of certain animal proteins to feed non-ruminant farmed animals such as pigs and poultry. This decision will be implemented through a draft regulation that aims at amending the Section F of Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001.

[2] i.e. EU regulatory procedure with scrutiny.

[3] The text enjoyed a ‘qualified majority’ from the EU Member States representatives.

[4] According to the internal procedures, twenty days after the publication of the Regulation in the official Journal of the European Union.

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