



E.F.E.O.

European Federation of Essential Oils

THE VOICE FOR ESSENTIAL OILS IN EUROPE

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MISSION STATEMENT

The European Federation of Essential Oils aims to represent, protect and promote the interest in the production and trade of Essential Oils and related products throughout Europe, and to lobby for the defense of these products at relevant national, European and international institutions.

E.F.E.O.'S MAIN INTERESTS

Product Safety

Regulatory

Advocacy

Communication

Industry Intelligence

Member Support



PRODUCT CATEGORIES



Essential Oils

Obtained by distillation

Obtained by cold press extraction

Concretes and Absolutes

CO₂ Extracts

Infusions and Alcoholic Extracts

Resinoids/Oleo-resins

BY-LAWS AND STATUTES

Consult these documents on www.efeo.eu



THE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT

Dear Members, Dear Friends,

When the E.F.E.O. founders held their first meetings in April 2002, they were already conscious that the new regulatory surroundings for the essential oil industry was needing a global reply, and that no national association would be able to fight alone.

The EU Fragrance Allergen project, published in March 2003, was the catalyzer, showing the necessity to regroup and get organized in order to defend and represent the interests of the producers and importers towards the European governmental and non-governmental organizations.

Over the years E.F.E.O. has become a respected member of the industry, listened to by the authorities in dossiers such as Classification and Labeling, Cosmetic and Flavor regulations, Seveso II directive, D-Limonene reclassification, CITES, and REACH.

All this couldn't have been achieved without our Technical Committee, which is the key element of our strength, putting their scientific knowledge and a lot of their time at E.F.E.O. disposal, and giving the Federation a respected credibility.

Today REACH is in force, and E.F.E.O. is very proud for its crucial role in helping our members to go through the different steps of the registration, identification of the NCS, grouping of substances, financing of some studies, advising and supporting the consortia, etc. REACH could have been a nightmare; it turned only into an expensive and time absorbing problem...

New challenges are to be expected in the future but all together, with the help of our board and our technical and communication committee members, we are prepared to face them.

Finally, as your new president, I would like to deeply thank our steadily increasing number of members for their constant support since so many years and I warmly invite all the others to join forces with us.

We need all of you!

Sincerely yours,
Jean-François Quarré



Jean-François Quarré

President



Elisabeth Vossen

Vice President

HISTORY

The European Federation of Essential Oils was founded in April 2002 by a group of 47 participants from several European and non-European countries, representing the whole supply chain from producers to flavor and fragrance companies. They were motivated by their concern about the impact that the proposal to label allergens according to the EU Cosmetic Directive would have on Essential Oils.

E.F.E.O. quickly became a reliable partner in all discussions with the European Parliament and Commission as well as with national authorities for all questions relating to Essential Oils, whether allergens, REACH, CLP, CITES, etc.

E.F.E.O.'s contribution has been fundamental in the establishment of the consortia of Essential Oils for REACH registration. Its role is still crucial in facilitating the registration process for its member companies.

E.F.E.O. is a European non-profit association. The president and vice president are elected for 2 years, each time from different countries.

PRESIDENTS

2002-04	Mr. Thierry Duclos	Duclos Trading SAS (FR)
2004-06	Mr. Franz-Peter Meschede	Eramex Aromatics GmbH (DE)
2006-08	Mr. Gianfranco Capua	Capua 1880 Srl (IT)
2008-10	Mr. Francis Thibaudeau (†)	Robertet SA (FR)
2010-12	Mr. Steve Smith	F.D. Copeland & Sons Ltd. (UK)
2012-14	Mr. Jens-Achim Protzen	Paul Kaders GmbH (DE)
2014-16	Mr. Vilfredo Raymo	Simone Gatto Srl (IT)
2016-18	Mr. Jorge Miralles	Indukern SA (ES)
2018-20	Mr. Jean-François Quarré	Quimdis SAS (FR)

E.F.E.O. now groups more than 150 companies in Europe through its founding national associations and more than 75 direct individual member companies from all industry levels, both within the EU and overseas.



MEMBERS' BENEFITS

Being a member of E.F.E.O. brings many advantages such as:

- Providing a **combined strength** to SME's, whether producer, trader, processor or general user of Natural Complex Substances. The volume and complexity of new legislation can become financially or technically too demanding for a company to deal with on its own.
- Receiving **"in real time"** all scientific, legislative or other industry information together with recommendations on how to comply.
- Benefiting from EFEO's considerable expertise in REACH.
- Being **part of the discussion** at the starting point of each new legislation of concern.



E.F.E.O.'S ACTIONS AMONGST OTHERS

REACH

E.F.E.O. was instrumental in ensuring that ECHA (the European Chemicals Agency) agreed that Essential Oils were to be considered as NCS (Natural Complex Substances) and in obtaining two amendments that were added to the REACH regulation.

The federation has become a privileged partner of ECHA through the very regular contacts and round-tables made while developing specific guidelines for our sector: a first one on the substance identification and a second one on the environmental assessment of NCS's.

E.F.E.O. paved the way to establish consortia for NCS registration and organized many meetings, workshops, webinars and conference calls to facilitate the coordination of NCS consortia and ultimately the timely registration of a very large number of NCS's.



ALLERGENS

Since its inception in 2002, E.F.E.O. has been working very closely with the various stakeholders from the European authorities to the Essential Oils producers and traders, the fragrance industry and the consumer goods manufacturers, in order to ensure the protection of the consumer on the one hand and protect the interests of our industry on the other hand.

The publication of the latest SCCS opinion on Fragrance Allergens in Cosmetic Products has generated a new peak of activities. E.F.E.O. is closely liaising with its partner, IFRA, in order to develop a long-term strategy to ensure business continuity and also proper risk management methodology.

Because of this successful result, the Commission is now proposing, in its latest legislative draft, to rely on the QRA methodology instead of limiting many important materials to 100 ppm maximum level in the final product.

CITES AND TRADE

E.F.E.O. is involved in actions concerning CITES, commercial conflicts between EU and other countries, and the defense of specific products.

PARTNERSHIPS & WORKING GROUPS

Since 2002, E.F.E.O. attended many conferences worldwide and held a number of presentations informing and updating members of our industry on the various current and upcoming key issues. A «road show» is organized every year, which brings the board members to different producing countries to inform the producers about relevant legislations affecting their products.

E.F.E.O. initiated relationships and working groups with all the associations directly or indirectly concerned with Essential Oils: AISE, BOTANICAL ALLIANCE, COSMETICS EUROPE, EFFA, EFFCI, EUROPAM, IFEAT, IOFI, IFRA, NATRUE, RIFM, UNITIS, ...

The «G5» (Global 5) was initiated in 2016/17. It gathers the heads of the 5 globally acting organizations dealing with naturals in the flavor and fragrance industry: E.F.E.O., IFEAT, IOFI, IFRA and RIFM.

The G5 acts as a think-tank in order to set priorities for our sector and to avoid overlapping work, and acts as a catalyst to ensure that the different associations or working groups recognize the priorities.

ANNUAL MEETING

Each year, at the end of the second quarter, E.F.E.O. holds its annual meeting in France. It reports on the actions of the Board, the technical committee and the communication committee and suggests the way forward. The event also proposes a half-day conference concerning the future of Essential Oils as seen by producers and/or end users. Members and non-members are welcome to join us for this conference.

ORGANISATION

PRESIDENT

Mr. Jean-François Quarré Quimdis SAS (FR)

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Ms. Elisabeth Vossen Vossen & CO SA/NV (BE)

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