



## The Vital Link in the Food Chain

### **Primary Food Processors welcome the outcome of the European Parliament's plenary vote on the provisional agreement on the Industrial Emissions Directive**

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Last Monday, the European Parliament adopted the political agreement on the revision of the Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU, or 'IED').

The Primary Food Processors ([PFP](#)) are pleased to see that, during the revision process of a Reference document on best practices (BREF), all participating stakeholders will be given equal access to data.

However we are very concerned by the requirement for the competent authorities to set the strictest achievable emission limit values by applying best available techniques (BAT) in the installation, given the unique characteristics of production of our various installations. It will be critical to consider the "entire BAT-AEL range" mentioned in the approved text, since some installations will likely struggle to reach the strictest limit values.

Moreover, we regret that binding environmental performance limits (EPLVs) are to be set by authorities for water, rather than the indicative ones, which will apply for waste and resources other than water.

PFP will continue its dialogue with authorities and other stakeholders on implementation of the revised IED that can serve environmental goals while also safeguarding the competitiveness of our sector.

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**European Association of Sugar Manufacturers ([CEFS](#))**

**European Cocoa Association ([ECA](#))**

**European Flour Milling Association ([European Flour Millers](#))**

**European Vegetable Protein Association ([EUVEPRO](#))**

**European Vegetable Oil and Proteinmeal Industry ([FEDIOL](#))**

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