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Feed regulators and industry from around the world discuss critical issues with IFIF and FAO at the 13th International Feed Regulators Meeting (IFRM)

Atlanta, USA, 29 January 2020 – The 13th annual International Feed Regulators Meeting (IFRM) organized by the International Feed Industry Federation (IFIF) in cooperation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) brought together feed industry representatives and government officials from around the world to discuss critical issues facing the feed sector with IFIF and the FAO.

“I am delighted we had a record number of participants from across the world and from key regulatory bodies join us at the 13th IFRM. This meeting, yet again, proved to be an important opportunity for the global feed industry and feed regulators to discuss key issues for the feed and food chain, including key feed regulatory updates and changes, an update on Codex Alimentarius work with relevance to feed, as well as a session on the implementation of Biosecurity measures at feed mill level in different regions” said Dr. Daniel Bercovici, IFIF Chairman.

Dr. Bercovici added “This dialogue is an important example of the private sector collaborating with the FAO and regulators from around the world and we believe that only by working together can we continue to ensure feed and food safety, while meeting the global demands for food sustainably.”

“The success of this meeting is a proof that FAO efforts to facilitate dialogue between the public and private sector are worthwhile,” said Daniela Battaglia, Animal Production Officer, Animal Production and Health Division of the FAO. Ms. Battaglia added “Feed operators can valuably contribute to make the livestock and food sectors more responsible and sustainable and to achieve other important goals such as food security, public health, and animal health and welfare. The IFRM is an important opportunity to exchange ideas among stakeholders from around the world and to coordinate our efforts towards common goals.”

Other topics discussed at the 13th IFRM included updates on the revision of the IFIF FAO Feed Manual “Good practices for the Feed Industry” and the FAO/WHO report on Hazards associated with animal feed, as well as a session on the work of the International Cooperation for Convergence of Technical Requirements for the Assessment of Feed Ingredients (ICCF), which aims towards convergence of technical requirements specific to feed additive/ingredient authorization across regions.

About the IFRM

The International Feed Regulators Meeting (IFRM) organized by the International Feed Industry Federation (IFIF) in cooperation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) provides an opportunity for regulators and feed industry professionals from across the

globe to exchange their thoughts and discuss concrete ideas for providing safe feed and food in a sustainable manner around the world. Participation at the IFRM is by invitation only and should you be interested in joining the 14th please contact info@ifif.org.

For more information about the IFRM please visit: <https://ifif.org/our-work/project/international-feed-regulators-meeting-ifrm/>.

About IFIF

The International Feed Industry Federation (IFIF) is made up of national and regional feed associations, feed related organizations, and corporate members from around the globe, representing over 80% of the feed production worldwide. IFIF provides a unified voice and leadership to represent and promote the global feed industry as an essential participant in the food chain that provides sustainable, safe, nutritious and affordable food for a growing world population. For more information on IFIF please visit www.ifif.org or contact Alexandra de Athayde, Executive Director, at info@ifif.org.

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