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COCERAL publishes biannual mycotoxin report

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COCERAL published today the report on its mycotoxins survey from 2013.

With almost 100% of survey participants sampling their lots to monitor mycotoxins, the new report highlights an increasing awareness of mycotoxin management (in 2011, it was only 86%). Agrosupply distributors contribute earlier on to prevent mycotoxin risk in the field by recommending fusarium resistant seeds, adapted fungicide treatments and by advising on agricultural practices, which in almost 70% of the cases results in an improvement of mycotoxin risk management at farm level.

COCERAL members pursue an active role in managing the risk of mycotoxins development: agrosupply distributors by advising farmers all along the production cycle on agricultural practices to prevent mycotoxin formation, and collectors and traders by analysing crop samples taken at harvest, in store, at loading before transport or at delivery.

Since 2007, COCERAL has biannually carried out a survey among its members regarding mycotoxin management.

Further details on the engagement of COCERAL members in mycotoxins risk management collected during the 2013 survey can be found in the 2013 Mycotoxin report available on the COCERAL website: www.coceral.com

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COCERAL is the European association of cereals, rice, feedstuffs oilseeds, olive oil, oils and fats and agrosupply trade. It represents the interest of the European collectors, traders, importers, exporters and port silo storekeepers of the above mentioned agricultural products. COCERAL's full members are **30 national associations in 19 countries** [Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Luxemburg, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, the Netherlands and the UK] and **1 European association** [Unistock] With about **2700 companies** as part of COCERAL national members, the sector trades agricultural raw materials destined to the supply of the food and feed chains, as well as for technical and energy uses. COCERAL has two associated members in Switzerland and Serbia.