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## COCERAL disappointed about no vote on Glyphosate

COCERAL regrets that there was no vote in the EU Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed (SCoPAFF) yesterday to renew authorization of the herbicide active substance glyphosate whose current authorisation ends on 30th June.

COCERAL was expecting a positive outcome for a product deemed safe by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA).

COCERAL Secretary General Teresa Babuscio said: “considering the importance of the active substance for EU farmers, we **urge the EU decision-makers to take responsibility and to grant the renewal of glyphosate authorization without any further delay**”. She added: “Glyphosate is the most widely used herbicide in the world. Failure to reauthorize it would seriously jeopardise the supply of grains and oilseeds to the EU market, particularly vegetable protein sources for the poultry sector”.

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