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DANISH AGRICULTURE AND FOOD COUNCIL

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Who are we?

The Danish Agriculture and Food Council (DAFC) is a trade association that defends the interests of Danish farmers, their cooperatives - among the biggest in Europe - as well as the food production industry.

In Denmark, agriculture and food is the country's largest competence cluster, employing some 189,000 people and exporting agricultural products, foods and equipment for an annual value exceeding € 22 billion.

What do we do?

It handles the political and professional interests of its members in particular with regard to trade, environment, climate and market policies and the EU's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP).

The DAFC, through its knowledge centre for agriculture, SEGES, also implements research and development programmes within food safety and veterinary issues, animal health and productivity, animal welfare, environment and energy.

In short, our goal is to provide our members with the best possible framework in order for them to create sustainable growth.

Where do we work?

The DAFC's headquarter is located in Copenhagen, Denmark. The Council also has an office in Brussels, Belgium, which manages the dialogue with European partners and EU institutions, as the majority of Danish law (up to 80% depending on the sector) is rooted in EU law. The DAFC is also a member of Copa and Cogeca, the association of agricultural organisations and cooperatives in the EU.

How do we work?

The DAFC is divided into two boards representing the interests of two separate, yet linked groups of members: One board consists of primary producers and another of representatives from cooperative member companies. The two boards are closely linked: Each board has three representatives serving on the other board, and both boards elect three representatives for the Chairmanship. The Chairmanship coordinates activities and ensures cohesion and balance in the DAFC's work.

