



## 1. PPWR

### a. New FEFPEB Position Paper on the PPWR

Design for Recycling (DfR) Criteria for Wooden Packaging, the CEN Standardisation Process and the Role of the JRC

The current developments are observed with great concern.

FEFPEB addressed the European Commission (DG ENV) and the Joint Research Centre JRC and CEN as well and (again) with a position statement ([click here](#)) stressing the necessity to take on board the specific position and properties of wooden packaging.

Dr Trunk Wolfgang Trunk of DG ENV is receptive to our input and reassured that the content will be considered when drafting the Delegated Act on DfR.

Meanwhile DG ENV is invited for a site visit at a pallet manufacturing company and to discuss our specific position further.

### b. Call Corporate Leaders to postpone and revise the PPWR

More than 100 business leaders are calling for a delay and revision of the packaging regulation. [Click here](#) for the letter sent to the Commission on **29 April** and signed by **138 business leaders**, including those from Burger King, Carlsberg, Coca-Cola, Heineken, and McDonald's.

The signatories are asking for the application date of the packaging regulation, currently set for 12 August 2026, to be postponed, along with a "targeted revision" of the text. According to them, economic operators face "a risk of divergent interpretations and applications between Member States" regarding PFAS in food packaging, for which no binding methodology has yet been defined at EU level.

Companies also highlight difficulties linked to the planned bans on certain single-use plastic packaging by 2030, owing to a lack of viable large-scale alternatives. Other concerns relate to recyclability requirements, recycled content targets, labelling harmonisation, as well as reuse systems and arrangements allowing consumers to bring their own containers.

Interestingly for us, they are calling for an exemption from reuse targets for transport packaging and sales packaging used for transport on the basis of an LCA. However the focus is on B2C and plastics.

At this stage, it is uncertain how the Commission would react to this.

## 2. EUDR

Commission publishes simplification review of EU Deforestation Regulation; [click here](#) for the publication.



### 3. 73rd FEFPEB congress 30 September – 2 October 2026 / Bastad (Sweden)

Swedish Wood and FEFPEB invite you proudly to attend the 73rd FEFPEB congress in Båstad, Sweden. [Click here to register.](#)

It remains necessary [to book your hotel accommodation](#) asap, **but before 1 June 2026!** Please note that after that date, it will be very hard to find any alternative accommodation in or around Båstad!

Hotel block booking is made for 3 nights: 30 September – 2 October 2026  
For those congress participants who want to arrive on Tuesday 29 September 2026, an alternative hotel nearby Båstad will be selected. More information to be supplied soon.

The **sponsorship opportunities** are excellent and all those FEFPEB allies are invited to support the congress and become sponsor!

[Click here](#) for the information package on the congress website.

Best regards,

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