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FNPAIA starts its dialogue on Policy Book development to express voices of agri-employers in Moldova

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The National Federation of Employers in Agriculture and Food Industry starts in Causeni a campaign of meetings with member agri-employers to develop a Policy Book focused on problems and solutions in the agri-sector of Moldova. Many roundtables and meetings with agri-employers will be conducted in the forthcoming months by the FNPAIA to thoroughly analyse with its members the business environment in agriculture and develop a set of proposals encoded in a Policy Book. The Policy Book will represent an agenda for future action and the reference basis for future lobby activities in the Moldovan legislative forum.

The FNPAIA Policy Book in agriculture, developed in a wide participative process, will contain opinions and recommendations of agri-entrepreneurs on solving problems of top priority for the agri-sector.

The first round of discussions with member agri-employers starts in Căuşeni on 20 August, 2010, and continues in Orhei on 24 august and Stefan Voda on 26 august and is moderated by the FNPAIA Chairperson Mr. Alexandru Slusari and Mr. Jean-Marie Standaert, Special Advisor of the Dutch Employers' Cooperation Programme (DECP). DECP, represented by Mr. Standaert had assisted the FNPAIA several years ago in strengthening organisational capacities of the FNPAIA in conducting social dialogue, collective bargaining and developing of collective agreements.

The international expert of DECP, Mr. Jean-Marie Standaert stated that „Employers' organisations should have one voice, be representative and coherent in developing and implementing of policies which have an impact on national development, including in the agri-sector.”

„The experience and activities of our organisation give us the necessary mandate for launching this dialogue on policies in agriculture in Moldova”, stated Alexandru Slusari, Chairperson of the FNPAIA.

The FNPAIA Policy Book targets fundamental policies, policies on production and trade of agricultural production, subsidies in agriculture, fiscal and customs policies, policies on combating monopolist practices, financial market policies, environment, rural development, policies on the system of social and medical insurance, land policies, policies on labour force, education in agriculture, etc.

The FNPAIA from Moldova was founded in 2003 and its mission is to create favourable conditions for agricultural enterprises and represent their interests in relationships with the public authorities and workers' organization. The FNPAIA struggles for improving the wellbeing of agricultural producers and their families through expressing and promoting their interests.