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31st FEFAC CONGRESS (ANFNC as Co-Host and Partner)

19 – 21 May 2026

Hotel Intercontinental Athene Palace, Bucharest, Romania

**European livestock sector - QUO VADIS? Outlook to EU livestock
and feed production in the Circular Bioeconomy**

Programme (DRAFT outline)

Tuesday 19 May 2026

- 13th Annual Conference of the Romanian Feed Manufacturers Association (ANFNC): **FEED & FORESIGHT 2026 – Vision and Innovation Driving the Future of the Sustainable Feed and Meat Industry in Europe**
- **Welcome Reception & Festive Dinner for ANFNC/FEFAC delegates and guests** at the **Romanian Athenaeum** (19:00 – 23:00)

Wednesday 20 May 2026

31st FEFAC Congress - Programme (8:30 – 17:45)

Formal Congress opening session - Le Diplomate Room

8:30 - 9:30

Welcoming remarks

- **Iani Chihaiia**, ANFNC President
- **Pedro Cordero**, FEFAC President
- Romanian authorities (Ministry of Agriculture - TBC)

1st Theme: “EU Agricultural markets and EU Trade policy outlook: EU & Ukraine agricultural trade relationship in the context of changing EU FTA agreements”

9:30 – 11:30

Keynote speakers

- **Pierre Bascou**, Deputy Director General, DG AGRI, European Commission
- **Elli Tsiforou**, Secretary General, COPA/COGECA

Setting the scene intervention

- **Sergii Kharin**, Country Leader, Romania and Republic of Moldova, CORTEVA

Panel experts

- **Vasile Varvaroi**, President ARCPA (COCERAL member)
- **Jim Sutter**, CEO, USSEC
- **Pedro Cordero**, FEFAC President

11:30 – 12:00 // Coffee Break

2nd Theme: “How can feed additives support the transition to more sustainable livestock and aquaculture systems?”

12:00 – 13:30

Setting the scene intervention

- **Piotr Bonislawski**, Senior Director Public Policy, Elanco

Keynote speakers

- **Koen van Dyck**, Head of Unit, DG SANTE – outlook on simplification/modernisation of the Feed additive regulation 1831/2003/EC

- **Séverine Deschandelliers**, President, FEFANA – innovation in Animal Nutrition/outlook of Feed additive “research pipeline” fostering Sustainability and Circularity of feed and livestock production

Panel experts

- **Pieter Bastiaanssen**, Managing Director ECA Trouw Nutrition, NUTRECO
- **Silvia Sonneveld**, Head of Vitamins Unit, Animal Nutrition & Health, DSM-Firmenich
- **Eddy Piron**, Vice President Sales and Marketing, Huvepharma

Moderator for sessions I & II: Rose O’ Donovan, Editor in Chief, AGRA FACTS

13:30 – 14:45 // Lunch Break

3rd Theme: “Opportunities and challenges for a circular feed & livestock sector in the EU Bioeconomy”

14:45 – 16:30

Setting the scene intervention

- **Zeev Noga**, Secretary General, UECBV

Presentations

- **David Carpintero**, Director General, ePURE, “Regulatory and market developments in the EU bio-ethanol sector”

Panel experts

- **Oana Neagu**, Director, COPA-COGECA
- **Marc Sneyders**, Industry Affairs Lead EMEA, BAYER
- **Arturo Hernangomez**, Agricultural Engineer, ANPROGAPOR
- **Alexander Romme**, EFFPA President

Moderator: Anton van den Brink, FEFAC Deputy Secretary General

Closing remarks by FEFAC elected President

16:30 - 17:45 // Coffee Break & Networking Reception – Regina Maria Room

19:00 – 23:00 // FEFAC Gala Dinner – Roberto IHG Restaurant

Thursday 21 May 2026

OPTION A: Constanța Port Visit

FULL DAY VISITING PROGRAMME

Time (estimated)	Activity
8:30	Departure from IHG Athénée Palace Hotel, Bucharest
11:30	Arrival at Constanța
11:30 - 12:00	Presentation at local venue Theme: "Constanța Grain Gateway: Logistics, Quality Assurance, and the Essential Role of Surveyors" - Agricolumn
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch with the delegates
13:00 - 13:15	Cargill presentation: Introduction to port facilities
13.15 - 13.30	Transfer to the port area
13:30 – 15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Rotational activities:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Boat tour of the Black Sea / Port of Constanța (30–40 minutes)○ Guided tour of Cargill port facilities Including safety briefing and visitor orientation
13:30 - 14:15 // 1st rotation	14:15 - 15:00 // 2nd rotation
15:15	Departure from Constanța back to Bucharest
18:30 - 19:30	Arrival at IHG Athénée Palace Hotel, Bucharest

Kindly note that participants joining the Constanța visiting programme are recommended to reserve an additional overnight stay at the hotel.

Thursday 21 May 2026

**OPTION B: Bunge oilseed crushing
facility Visit**

HALF-DAY VISITING PROGRAMME

Time (estimated)	Activity
8:30	Departure from IHG Athénée Palace Hotel, Bucharest
9:30	Arrival at Lehliu Gară
10:00 - 10:30	Welcome presentation at local venue
10:30 - 12:30	Oilseed crushing facility plant tour
12:30 – 13:00	Lunch with delegates / Closing remarks
13:00 – 15:00	Departure from Lehliu Gară back to Bucharest
15:00	Arrival at IHG Athénée Palace Hotel, Bucharest

Participants are kindly requested to check the availability of afternoon/evening flight connections when planning their travel.