

TO ALL MEMBERS

Rotterdam, 17 August 2017
(RVN, C1708-056)

Dear Members,

Unfortunately most of the summer holidays are behind us.

AGM and Dinner

If we look back at the first half year of 2017 we recon the annual dinner on the 20th of April as a highlight.

A record of 706 members and their guests attended the traditional annual dinner in the Hulstkamp building in Rotterdam.

The growing number of members as well as the growing popularity of our network event in the international oils, fats and oilseeds trade have taken us to this record number of attendants.

The 2018 annual dinner, celebrating the 100th anniversary of NOFOTA, will be held at a different location in the centre of Rotterdam. This location will give us more space to host our members and their guests.

The location for our 2018 dinner will be the De Doelen, where the Rotterdam Philharmonic Orchestra is hosted. The dinner will take place on **Thursday 12 April 2019**. Besides the traditional dinner you may expect special acts and performances as well as a stunning after party to celebrate this remarkable moment. Please block this date in your agenda!!



During the Annual General Meeting on the 20th of April the new Presidium was elected. Ronald van der Graaf took over the chair from Daniel Stregels. Daniel was our President for the last two years. Council and members expressed their thanks for Daniel's dedicated leadership. With the formal rotation Annemarie Keemink has taken the seat of Vice-President.

During same meeting Jan Hendrik Neet officially retired from the council as Past-President and Council member. Council and members also thanked Jan Hendrik for his valuable contribution over the last eight years.

The council also welcomed the following new members: Mrs. Saskia Oudshoorn (Unilever), Mr. Lucas Dorrestein (Glencore) and Mr. Jan Aalberts (Smilde Food).

Golf tournament

The weather gods were well-inclined towards us this year, when we held our annual golf tournament at the Rijswijkse Golfclub on the 30th of May.

34 golfers played the challenging 18-holes course near The Hague. Winner of the higher handicap tournament (above hcp 28) was Daniel Stregels of Cargill and the 27th winner of the ancient trophy "De Zoeker" was Henk Boomsma of Vopak.

Eight "starters" attended the golf clinic and all together enjoyed dinner at the beautiful terrace of the clubhouse.



New members in 2017

During 2017 following companies became a member of the association:

- Van Traa Advocaten (C-member) per 23-01-2017
- Intergrain Brokerage B.V. (B-member) per 23-01-2017
- Campa Iberia S.A.U. - Musim Mas Group (B-member) per 01-04-2017
- Vertom Agencies B.V. (C-member) per 01-07-2017

Agenda 2017

3	September	FOSFA Introductory Course, Egham
19		NOFOTA Council Meeting, Zoetermeer
13	October	UCOGRAS Annual Dinner, Gent
31		FOSFA Annual Dinner, Antwerp
1	November	GMP+ 25 th anniversary, Amsterdam
23		EPOA Conference, Brussels
23		GROFOR Annual Dinner, Hamburg
7	December	FOSFA Oils & Fats Dinner, Tallow Chandlers, London

Non-Business Days

2017

25 December	Christmas Day (Monday)
26 December	Boxing Day (Tuesday)

2018

1 January	New Year's Day (Monday)
30 March	Good Friday
2 April	Easter Monday
27 April	Kings Day (Friday)
10 May	Ascension Day (Thursday)
21 May	Whit-Monday
24 December	Christmas Eve (Monday)*
25 December	Christmas Day (Tuesday)
26 December	Boxing Day (Wednesday)
31 December	New Year's Eve*

(* Half NOFOTA Non-business day as from 12.00 hours Dutch local time)

With kind regards,
NOFOTA

Ron van Noord
General Secretary