



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
Directorate F – Outreach, Research & Geographical Indications
The Director

Brussels
AGRI.F.3/

Subject: Request of interpretation of Article 34 of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143, associations of producer groups

Dear Madam,

Thank you for your email of 16 September 2025 inquiring about the eligibility of newly established producer groups under Regulation (EU) 2024/1143⁽¹⁾ on geographical indications.

Pursuant Article 14(2) of this Regulation, a producer group of a third country shall be a producer group which works with a product, the name of which is proposed for registration. The Regulation fixes no time limit on the date of creation of the producer group.

We draw your attention to the fact that, irrespective of the date of creation of the group, the producer group should be in a position to demonstrate that it is a group composed of members that work with the product the name of which is proposed for registration. That means, that it should mainly be composed of producers of the product the name of which is proposed for registration.

The present opinion is provided based on the facts as set out in your email and expresses the view of the Commission services and does not commit the European Commission. In the event of a dispute involving European Union law, it is for the Court of Justice of the European Union to provide a definitive interpretation of the applicable European Union law.

Yours faithfully,



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⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council, of 11 April 2024, on geographical indications for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, as well as traditional specialities guaranteed and optional quality terms for agricultural products, amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013, (EU) 2019/787 and (EU) 2019/1753 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.

