

## ENVI MEPs restore CBAM's predictability

**Brussels, 7 July 2026: Fertilizers Europe welcomes yesterday's vote by the European Parliament's Committee on the Environment, Climate and Food Safety (ENVI) to bolster Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) by strengthening anti-circumvention provisions and restoring predictability thus sending an important investment signal to CBAM sectors. In particular, the vote to avoid expedited removal of goods from CBAM sends a clear message: Mechanism must remain robust, predictable and consistently applied. With this decision, MEPs help preserve the integrity and effectiveness of CBAM. This is essential to restore level playing field, support industrial decarbonisation and ensure European producers are not penalised for operating under the EU's climate rules.**

*"Yesterday's vote to strengthen Regulation and delete article 27a is an important step towards restoring industry's confidence in CBAM" said Antoine Hoxha, Director General of Fertilizers Europe. "CBAM simply cannot be credible if it can be switched off and on at a whim. By deleting Article 27a, ENVI MEPs have chosen stability, regulatory predictability, carbon leakage protection and the long-term integrity of the mechanism. This is the right direction for Europe's competitiveness, climate ambition and food security".*

Fertilizers Europe has consistently warned that Article 27a – which would allow expedited removal of goods from CBAM by circumventing regular legislative procedures - would undermine the effectiveness of CBAM, weaken the level playing field and increase the risk of carbon leakage.

Antoine Hoxha stated, *"European fertilizer producers operate under some of the world's most ambitious climate rules,"*. He added *"CBAM was designed to make sure that climate ambition does not simply push production, jobs and emissions outside Europe. That principle must be protected. By choosing predictability, MEPs helped preserve the core purpose of the mechanism – to ensure that imports face comparable carbon costs to those borne by EU producers and as a result, equalize the playing field, encourage decarbonization abroad and lower EU's import emissions"*.

As the same time, Fertilizers Europe recognises the pressures that CBAM could potentially pose for downstream sectors, in particular European farmers.

Antoine Hoxha said: *"We fully recognise the pressure facing European farmers. Removing fertilizers from CBAM would damage EU fertilizer production, while not addressing the real pressures farmers face. We therefore welcome ENVI's decision to redirect CBAM revenues to sectors impacted by CBAM"*. Hoxha added: *"The welfare of EU farmers is our number one priority. In the long-term, policymakers must identify lasting solutions that support farmers, without undermining competitiveness of EU industry. Support should come through other measures, including CBAM revenues directed to farmers, as the ENVI position suggests. We look forward to working with EU farmers on lasting solutions that secure the stability of the entire agricultural sector."*

ENVI's vote aligns with the position taken by the INTA and ITRE Committees. Fertilizers Europe now calls on the Parliament and the Council to ensure that Article 27a is removed entirely from the final CBAM revision.

*"Europe does not have to choose between farmers, industry and climate ambition. A strong CBAM supports all three. Keeping CBAM strong means keeping Europe strong"* concluded Antoine Hoxha.



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