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Subject: Appointment of Mrs Lara Berast-Yeroulanos as new President

The Federation of European Aquaculture Producers (FEAP) held yesterday its General Assembly. In it, elections were held to decide the replacement of part of its Management Committee that had completed their terms. As a result, Mrs Lara Berast-Yeroulanos was elected new President of the Federation for the next three years.

Mrs Berast-Yeroulanos had been proposed for this position by the Hellenic Aquaculture Producers Organization (OPEA). She is Chief Executive Officer and President of the Board of the fish farming company Kolifanta Fisheries SA, (Kolifanta, Greece). Mrs Berast-Yeroulanos holds a Master degree in Public Policy & International Trade and Finance from the Kennedy School of Government/Harvard University (USA) and a B.A. in Economics at Columbia Univ. (USA). She has been Vice-president in FEAP since 2016.

The Federation members are convinced that the unique skills and leadership capabilities of Lara Berast will contribute to further promote aquaculture in Europe. Her substantive governance experience and proven track record in pursuing sustainable aquaculture in the Mediterranean were highlighted. Ms Lara Berast-Yeroulanos will be the first woman to lead the FEAP.

In her acceptance speech Mrs Berast-Yeroulanos stated that as FEAP President she will strive to research aquaculture and unlock its full potential. She will dedicate special efforts to enhance the working capacity of the FEAP to support the strategic ambitions of the industry and overcome the complex challenges that have kept European aquaculture stagnant for the last 20 years.

The other persons that were elected yesterday for the Management Committee of the FEAP were Mrs Anna Ryc (Poland), Mr Goran Perčinin (Croatia), Mr Brian Thomsen (Denmark) and Mr Jordi Trias (Spain).

(Attached: Photo Mrs Lara Berast-Yeroulanos)

About the Federation of European Aquaculture Producers

The FEAP is the united voice of the European fish farming profession. It promotes the sustainable development of European aquaculture and represents both marine and freshwater fish farming. The Federation is composed of 22 national fish farming associations from 21 countries. All members are European but not all are from the European Union. The members of FEAP played on the market 2,574,333 t of fish in 2019.