

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Fady Gemayel becomes new FEFCO President

Brussels, 28 May 2020

On 27 May 2020, Fady Gemayel, co-owner & Honorary Chairman at “Gemayel Freres S.A.L.”, a family owned corrugated cardboard company, was elected FEFCO President for a two-year term. He is succeeding Dr. Jan Klingele (Managing Partner, Klingele Papierwerke) who has been in duty for four years and will now act as FEFCO Vice-President. Saverio Mayer (CEO Europe - Smurfit Kappa Group) was re-elected as Vice President together with Nina Iversen (Managing Director, Glomma Papp), who will remain as FEFCO Honorary Vice President. Mr. Gemayel is grateful for their dedication and commitment to FEFCO and is pleased to get their support in continuing the work of the association and exploring new opportunities.

Mr. Gemayel is also co-owner and Chairman of “Société Libanaise de Carton” (SOLICAR), GEMDOUBS and NORPAPER, prime paper mills located in France.

“I am very honoured to take over the Presidency of FEFCO, it is a privilege to serve for an industry which has been recognised as essential during the Covid-19 crisis, we can all be proud for being able to provide vital goods to serve society” says Fady Gemayel. “I am very pleased to continue the excellent work done by my predecessor and the FEFCO team. I am committed to responding to the new challenges ahead; it is of vital importance to increase the awareness around the sustainability of our material, which is an example of circularity and to promote its many benefits for logistics, product protection and brand recognition.”

END

For additional information and pictures, please contact:

Nathalie Schneegans, Communications Director
at nathalie.schneegans@fefco.org – Phone: +32 2 6500832

Note to the editors

FEFCO (European Federation of Corrugated Board Manufacturers) represents the interests of the European Corrugated Board Manufacturers. Headquartered in Brussels, FEFCO has 17 Association members, all European national corrugated packaging organisations. The role of the Federation is to investigate economic, financial, technical and policy issues of interest to the corrugated packaging Industry, to analyse all factors which may influence the industry, and to promote and develop its image.

Europe’s corrugated industry in Europe makes about 48 billion square metres of board per year, enough to cover Denmark. It has 369 companies, 630 plants and accounts for around 100,000 jobs. Corrugated cardboard packaging is circular by nature: it is based on a renewable resource, it is recyclable and recycled in reality. The average box today is more than 5% lighter than 15 years ago and contains on average 89% recycled material.