



Dear Madam, dear Sir, dear Member,

Twenty years ago I wrote to twenty or so teachers, dispensers of a training in the dairy industry in several countries of the E.E.C.-at the time a body of 12 states of our old continent- so as to bring them together and submit to them themes of work and reflection for our newly born association, which I named EUROPEL. Subsequently, I have tried to do my best, on one hand to provide the association with legal contents and an administrative existence together with traditions and customs without which there can neither be any continuity nor durability, on the other hand to make it able to organize meetings and congresses, so as to carry through to successful conclusions the several tasks set out on its site.

All along those years, by giving me your support through your work, your contributions in the organization of its events, you have been able to give concrete expression to the idea, and to make EUROPEL alive and consistent. However, I have decided that the time has come for me to put an end to my activity in that field. Of course, the work is not completed, but the frame of it has been drawn, and thanks to the dedication of its members, of those who will carry on with the task undertaken, and who will build up the EUROPEL to come, provided that they will respect the founding principles, the creative and generous impulses already given, provided that they look into its history, I am convinced our association will experience a beautiful development, beneficial to all, teachers and students.

I will never forget our debates and our meetings that were to me, beyond my occupational concerns, most enriching. I will keep exceptional memory of that period.

I thank you all sincerely.

Faithfully yours,

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