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## II

*(Information)*INFORMATION FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES  
AND AGENCIES

## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

**Non-opposition to a notified concentration****(Case COMP/M.5846 — Shell/Cosan/JV)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2011/C 19/01)

On 3 January 2011, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the common market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- in the merger section of the Competition website of the Commission (<http://ec.europa.eu/competition/mergers/cases/>). This website provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
- in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website (<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/index.htm>) under document number 32011M5846. EUR-Lex is the on-line access to the European law.

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**Non-opposition to a notified concentration****(Case COMP/M.5973 — CVC/Charden International)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2011/C 19/02)

On 12 October 2010, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the common market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004. The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- in the merger section of the Competition website of the Commission (<http://ec.europa.eu/competition/mergers/cases/>). This website provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
  - in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website (<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/index.htm>) under document number 32010M5973. EUR-Lex is the on-line access to the European law.
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## IV

(Notices)

## NOTICES FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES AND AGENCIES

## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Euro exchange rates <sup>(1)</sup>

19 January 2011

(2011/C 19/03)

1 euro =

Currency	Exchange rate	Currency	Exchange rate		
USD	US dollar	1,3506	AUD	Australian dollar	1,3425
JPY	Japanese yen	110,85	CAD	Canadian dollar	1,3388
DKK	Danish krone	7,4513	HKD	Hong Kong dollar	10,5045
GBP	Pound sterling	0,84330	NZD	New Zealand dollar	1,7377
SEK	Swedish krona	8,9325	SGD	Singapore dollar	1,7293
CHF	Swiss franc	1,2964	KRW	South Korean won	1 500,81
ISK	Iceland króna		ZAR	South African rand	9,4201
NOK	Norwegian krone	7,8260	CNY	Chinese yuan renminbi	8,8902
BGN	Bulgarian lev	1,9558	HRK	Croatian kuna	7,3915
CZK	Czech koruna	24,258	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	12 228,87
HUF	Hungarian forint	272,40	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	4,1227
LTL	Lithuanian litas	3,4528	PHP	Philippine peso	59,736
LVL	Latvian lats	0,7029	RUB	Russian rouble	40,2625
PLN	Polish zloty	3,8658	THB	Thai baht	41,133
RON	Romanian leu	4,2595	BRL	Brazilian real	2,2543
TRY	Turkish lira	2,0792	MXN	Mexican peso	16,2268
			INR	Indian rupee	61,3172

<sup>(1)</sup> Source: reference exchange rate published by the ECB.

**New national side of euro coins intended for circulation**

(2011/C 19/04)



*National side of the new commemorative 2-euro coin intended for circulation and issued by the Netherlands*

Euro coins intended for circulation have legal tender status throughout the euro area. For the purpose of informing the public and all parties who handle the coins, the Commission publishes a description of the designs of all new coins <sup>(1)</sup>. In accordance with the Council conclusions of 10 February 2009 <sup>(2)</sup>, euro-area Member States and countries that have concluded a monetary agreement with the Community providing for the issuing of euro coins are allowed to issue commemorative euro coins intended for circulation, provided that certain conditions are met, particularly that only the 2-euro denomination is used. These coins have the same technical characteristics as other 2-euro coins, but their national face features a commemorative design that is highly symbolic in national or European terms.

**Issuing country:** The Netherlands

**Subject of commemoration:** The 500th anniversary of the issue of the world famous book 'Laus Stultitiae' by the Dutch philosopher, humanist and theologian Desiderus Erasmus

**Description of the design:**

The inner part of the coin depicts Erasmus writing his book and the effigy of Queen Beatrix. Between these two images, the inscription 'Beatrix Koningin der Nederlanden' vertically positioned, the year '2011', the Mint master mark and the mintmark.

The coin's outer ring depicts the 12 stars of the European Union flag.

**Volume of issuance:** 4 million coins

**Date of issue:** January 2011

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<sup>(1)</sup> See OJ C 373, 28.12.2001, p. 1 for the national faces of all the coins issued in 2002.

<sup>(2)</sup> See the conclusions of the Economic and Financial Affairs Council of 10 February 2009 and the Commission Recommendation of 19 December 2008 on common guidelines for the national sides and the issuance of euro coins intended for circulation (OJ L 9, 14.1.2009, p. 52).

**New national side of euro coins intended for circulation**

(2011/C 19/05)



*National side of the new commemorative 2-euro coin intended for circulation and issued by France*

Euro coins intended for circulation have legal tender status throughout the euro area. For the purpose of informing the public and all parties who handle the coins, the Commission publishes a description of the designs of all new coins <sup>(1)</sup>. In accordance with the Council conclusions of 10 February 2009 <sup>(2)</sup>, the Member States of the euro area and countries that have concluded a monetary agreement with the Community providing for the issuing of euro coins are allowed to issue commemorative euro coins intended for circulation, provided that certain conditions are met, particularly that only the 2-euro denomination is used. These coins have the same technical characteristics as other 2-euro coins, but their national side features a commemorative design that is highly symbolic in national or European terms.

**Issuing country:** France

**Subject of commemoration:** 30th anniversary of the Day of Music

**Description of the design:**

The inner part of the coin depicts a cheerful crowd, with a stylised image of a musical instrument and notes floating in the air, denoting the atmosphere of celebration on the Day of Music, which has been celebrated in France every summer solstice since 1981. The words 'Fête de la MUSIQUE' and the date '21 JUIN 2011' appear at the centre of the drawing. On top, slanting rightwards, are the words '30° ANNIVERSAIRE', and the country indication 'RF' appears at the bottom.

The coin's outer ring depicts the 12 stars of the European flag.

**Number of coins to be issued:** 10 million

**Date of issue:** June 2011

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<sup>(1)</sup> See OJ C 373, 28.12.2001, p. 1 for the national sides of all the coins issued in 2002.

<sup>(2)</sup> See the conclusions of the Economic and Financial Affairs Council of 10 February 2009 and the Commission Recommendation of 19 December 2008 on common guidelines for the national sides and the issuance of euro coins intended for circulation (OJ L 9, 14.1.2009, p. 52).

## NOTICES CONCERNING THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA

## EFTA SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY

## Public holidays in 2011: EEA EFTA States and EEA institutions

(2011/C 19/06)

2011	Iceland	Liechtenstein	Norway	EFTA Surveillance Authority	EFTA Court
3 January				X	
6 January		X			
2 February		X			
7 March					X
8 March		X			
21 April	X		X		X
22 April	X	X	X	X	X
25 April	X	X	X	X	X
17 May			X		
2 June	X	X	X	X	X
3 June		X		X	X
13 June	X	X	X	X	X
17 June	X				
23 June		X			X
24 June		X			
1 August	X				
15 August		X			X
5 September					X
8 September		X			
9 September		X			
1 November		X		X	X
2 November					X
8 December		X			
23 December				X	X
26 December	X	X	X	X	X
27 December				X	X
28 December				X	X
29 December				X	X
30 December				X	X

## V

(Announcements)

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

## PRINCE 2010 — EU27 — Call for proposals

(2011/C 19/07)

**1. Objectives**

General objective of this Call for proposals is to raise awareness about benefits and challenges of current EU enlargement towards the Western Balkans, Turkey and Iceland by involving key stakeholders, multipliers and media professionals and by stimulating people-to-people encounters.

The Call is divided in two lots: TV programmes (Lot 1) and Awareness-raising actions (Lot 2).

**Results expected:**

- To stimulate and contribute to an informed public debate on the EU enlargement policy by producing and broadcasting dedicated TV programmes which: introduce EU enlargement into the public sphere; show European citizens what impact (benefits, possible disadvantages) EU enlargement has on their everyday lives; deconstruct myths and false expectations; change mentalities towards enlargement countries and deconstruct stereotypes.
- To support information and communication about EU enlargement related issues and contribute to challenging preconceptions and presenting enlargement countries through organisation of awareness-raising actions, cultural or sports events.

**2. Eligible candidates***Lot 1 — TV programmes:*

In order to be eligible for a grant, applicants must be:

- a television broadcasting company (production companies are not eligible as a main applicant),
- public or private bodies (only legal entities; therefore natural persons are not eligible),
- registered in one of the EU's 27 Member States,
- directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with their partners.

*Lot 2 — Awareness-raising actions:*

In order to be eligible for a grant, applicants must be:

- public or private bodies (only legal entities; therefore natural persons are not eligible),
- registered in one of the EU's 27 Member States,
- directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with their partners.



### 3. Eligible actions

The actions outlined are:

*Lot 1 — TV programmes:*

- TV programmes with broadcasting guarantee.
- Programme must be broadcast in one or more EU Member State/s.
- The project implementation period may not exceed 18 months.

*Lot 2 — Awareness-raising actions:*

- In order to be eligible, actions should fulfil at least one of the following conditions:
  - cross-border dimension, i.e. taking place in at least two EU Member States or candidate countries/potential candidates,
  - consist in a series of awareness-raising activities (see the non-exhaustive list below),
  - combine two or more different types of awareness-raising activities each bearing their own impact.
- Non-exhaustive list of eligible actions is provided in the Guidelines to this call.
- The project implementation period may not exceed 12 months.

The projects under this Call must be completed by 30 November 2013 at the latest.

### 4. Award criteria

Points will be allocated to eligible applications out of a total of 100. Detailed evaluation grids, separate for Lot 1 and for Lot 2, are provided in the Guidelines.

### 5. Budget for projects

The amount available under this Call for proposals is EUR 2 500 000. The financial support from the Commission cannot exceed 60 % (for Lot 1) and 80 % (for Lot 2) of the total eligible costs.

The financial contribution will be awarded in the form of a grant.

### 6. Deadline for submission

Applications must be sent at the latest by **31 March 2011** to:

Ms Catherine WENDT  
European Commission  
Directorate-General for Enlargement  
Unit A2 — Information and Communication  
Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat 170  
1049 Bruxelles/Brussel  
BELGIQUE/BELGIË

### 7. Complete information

The Guidelines for this Call for proposals as well as the application form and Annexes are available at the following address:

[http://ec.europa.eu/enlargement/how-does-it-work/grants-tenders/grants/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/enlargement/how-does-it-work/grants-tenders/grants/index_en.htm)

Applications must comply with all terms of the Guidelines, be submitted on the forms provided and containing all the information and Annexes specified in the full text of the call.

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PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMON  
COMMERCIAL POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

**Notice of the impending expiry of certain anti-dumping measures**

(2011/C 19/08)

1. As provided for in Article 11(2) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1225/2009 of 30 November 2009 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Community <sup>(1)</sup>, the European Commission gives notice that, unless a review is initiated in accordance with the following procedure, the anti-dumping measures mentioned below will expire on the date mentioned in the table below.

**2. Procedure**

Union producers may lodge a written request for a review. This request must contain sufficient evidence that the expiry of the measures would be likely to result in a continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury.

Should the Commission decide to review the measures concerned, importers, exporters, representatives of the exporting country and Union producers will then be provided with the opportunity to amplify, rebut or comment on the matters set out in the review request.

**3. Time limit**

Union producers may submit a written request for a review on the above basis, to reach the European Commission, Directorate-General for Trade (Unit H-1), N-105 4/92, 1049 Brussels, BELGIUM <sup>(2)</sup> at any time from the date of the publication of the present notice but no later than three months before the date mentioned in the table below.

4. This notice is published in accordance with Article 11(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1225/2009.

Product	Country(ies) of origin or exportation	Measures	Reference	Date of expiry
Silicon carbide	People's Republic of China	Anti-dumping duty	Council Regulation (EC) No 1264/2006 (OJ L 232, 25.8.2006, p. 1)	26.8.2011

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 51.

<sup>(2)</sup> Fax +32 22956505.

**Notice of the impending expiry of certain anti-dumping measures**

(2011/C 19/09)

1. As provided for in Article 11(2) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1225/2009 of 30 November 2009 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Community <sup>(1)</sup>, the European Commission gives notice that, unless a review is initiated in accordance with the following procedure, the anti-dumping measures mentioned below will expire on the date mentioned in the table below.

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Product	Country(ies) of origin or exportation	Measures	Reference	Date of expiry
Chamois leather	People's republic of China	Anti-dumping duty	Council Regulation (EC) No 1338/2006 (OJ L 251, 14.9.2006, p. 1)	15.9.2011

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 51.

<sup>(2)</sup> Fax +32 22956505.

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION  
POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

**Prior notification of a concentration**

**(Case COMP/M.6118 — Bain Capital Investors/IMCD)**

**Candidate case for simplified procedure**

**(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2011/C 19/10)

1. On 12 January 2011, the Commission received a notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> by which Bain Capital Investors LLC ('Bain Capital Investors', United States) acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation control of the whole of IMCD Holding BV and its subsidiaries ('IMCD', Kingdom of the Netherlands), by way of purchase of shares.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

— for Bain Capital Investors: private equity investment firm,

— for IMCD: distribution of specialty chemicals (including food and pharmaceutical ingredients).

3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the EC Merger Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved. Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under the EC Merger Regulation <sup>(2)</sup> it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the Notice.

4. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed operation to the Commission.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax (+32 22964301), by email to COMP-MERGER-REGISTRY@ec.europa.eu or by post, under reference number COMP/M.6118 — Bain Capital Investors/IMCD, to the following address:

European Commission  
Directorate-General for Competition  
Merger Registry  
J-70  
1049 Bruxelles/Brussel  
BELGIQUE/BELGIË

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'EC Merger Regulation').

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 56, 5.3.2005, p. 32 ('Notice on a simplified procedure').

## OTHER ACTS

## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

**Publication of an application pursuant to Article 6(2) of Council Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs**

(2011/C 19/11)

This publication confers the right to object to the application pursuant to Article 7 of Council Regulation (EC) No 510/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>. Statements of objection must reach the Commission within six months from the date of this publication.

SINGLE DOCUMENT

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 510/2006

'SALAME FELINO'

EC No: IT-PGI-0005-0597-11.04.2007

PGI ( X ) PDO ( )

1. **Name:**

'Salame Felino'

2. **Member State or third Country:**

Italy

3. **Description of the agricultural product or foodstuff:**3.1. *Type of product:*

Class 1.2: Meat products (cooked, salted, smoked, etc.)

3.2. *Description of product to which the name in (1) applies:*

When released for consumption, 'Salame Felino' PGI must be cylindrical, with one end fatter than the other. Its outer surface must be of a whitish/greyish colour and slightly powdery owing to the surface development of a small quantity of indigenous mould.

'Salame Felino' PGI must have the following characteristics:

— Weight: between 200 g and 4,5 kg.

— Size: irregular cylindrical shape, between 15 cm and 130 cm long.

— Organoleptic characteristics: when cut, the slices must be firm but not springy; they must be homogeneous and lean, ruby red in colour, free of blemishes, and have a mild and delicate flavour.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 93, 31.3.2006, p. 12.

— Chemical and chemico-physical characteristics:

total protein:	minimum 23 %
collagen/protein ratio:	maximum 0,10
water/protein ratio:	maximum 2,00
fat/protein ratio:	maximum 1,50
pH:	> 5,3
Total lactobacilli:	> 100 000

3.3. Raw materials (for processed products only):

'Salame Felino' PGI is produced from pig meat in the manner described below:

- The animals used must be pure-bred pigs of the basic traditional Large White and Landrace breeds or animals derived from those breeds, as improved by the Italian Herd Book.
- Also allowed are animals derived from the Duroc breed, as improved by the Italian Herd Book.
- Animals of other breeds, crossbred or hybrid, are also allowed, provided that they are bred under selection or cross-breeding schemes for the production of Italian heavy pigs, the aims of which are not incompatible with those of the Italian Herd Book.
- In line with tradition, animals carrying unfavourable traits, and in particular susceptibility to stress (PSS), are in any case not permitted; nowadays, such traits can be objectively detected in animals *post mortem* and in cured products.
- Pure bred Belgian Landrace, Hampshire, Pietrain, Duroc and Spotted Poland animals are in any case not permitted.
- The genetic types used must allow the achievement of high weights and satisfactory efficiency and, in any case, a live weight per animal of 160 kg +/- 10 %.
- The minimum age at slaughter is nine months.
- Boars and sows may not be used.
- The pigs must be slaughtered in an optimum state of health and completely bled.

The cuts of meat used to produce 'Salame Felino' PGI must be pieces of choice muscle or fat tissue such as the forward part of the belly (*testa di pancetta*) and/or minced meat from under the shoulder (*trito di banco (sottospalla)*). The meat used must not have undergone any freezing process.

The muscle and fat tissue must be carefully cleaned, with the soft adipose tissue and larger pieces of connective matter being removed.

The meat (muscle and fat tissue) used for 'Salame Felino' PGI must be put into a cold store at a temperature of not less than -1 °C and arranged in such a way as to allow the muscle tissue to dry out well. The mix must be minced using a meat grinder (fitted with perforated plates with 6-8 mm holes).

The meat must then be mixed with salt (2-2,8 %), whole pepper and/or pepper pieces (0,03-0,06 %) and ground garlic.

Use may also be made of:

- dry white wine, up to a maximum of 400 cl per 100 kg of meat, so as to accentuate the aroma and flavour,
- sugar and/or dextrose and/or fructose: 0-0,3 %,

- fermentation starter cultures: such starter cultures must be used in line with best practice, taking into consideration the specific characteristics of the starter cultures for 'Salame Felino'. Their function is to develop the product's aroma and flavour through their lipolytic and proteolytic effect, stabilising the colour and limiting acidification,
- sodium and/or potassium nitrate (maximum 300 mg/kg), sodium and/or potassium nitrite (maximum 150 mg/kg), ascorbic acid and its sodium salt (maximum 1 g/kg).

3.4. *Feed (for products of animal origin only):*

Marketed feed must comply with trade standards. The feed should preferably be in liquid form (swill or mash), and is traditionally mixed with whey. For the feed permitted for animals up to 80 kg live weight, the dry matter content from grain must not be less than 45 % of the total. For the feed permitted during the fattening stage, the dry matter from grain must not be less than 55 % of the total.

3.5. *Specific steps in production that must take place in the identified geographical area:*

The specific steps in production are:

- mincing with a meat grinder,
- mixing the mince and the added salt, pepper and garlic; wine, sugars, fermentation starter cultures, sodium or potassium nitrate, sodium or potassium nitrite and ascorbic acid and its sodium salt may also be used,
- filling the mix into natural hog casing,
- tying with twine (not netted),
- drying and curing,
- slicing and packaging in vacuum packs or in a protective atmosphere.

3.6. *Specific rules concerning slicing, grating, packaging, etc.:*

'Salame Felino' may be sliced and packaged only in facilities located in the production area and under the surveillance of the authorised body in line with the provisions of the monitoring plan.

Indeed, owing to the delicate nature of the product, which is high in unsaturated fatty acids and low in preservatives, and because the slicing and packaging stages are potentially harmful, staff carrying out these procedures must have specific knowledge of the product. In particular, it is necessary that the period during which the slices remain in contact with the air is short as possible, so as to prevent them taking on a brown colour.

3.7. *Specific rules concerning labelling:*

'Salame Felino' PGI may be released for consumption either whole, with only the label and possibly the seal; thickly cut, in vacuum packs or in a protective atmosphere; or sliced, in vacuum packs or in a protective atmosphere.

The name 'Salame Felino' followed by the wording 'Protected Geographical Indication' or the abbreviation 'PGI' (translated into the language in which the product is being marketed) must be affixed to the label or, where relevant, the seal, in clear, indelible characters that can be easily distinguished from any other writing on the label/seal, followed by the Community graphic symbol and the company mark.

4. **Concise definition of the geographical area:**

The 'Salame Felino' PGI production area is the administrative territory of the Province of Parma.

## 5. Link with the geographical area:

### 5.1. Specificity of the geographical area:

The 'Salame Felino' PGI production area, which covers the whole Province of Parma, is marked by the presence of both hilly and flat areas, as well as lakes and salt mines.

The geographical area was identified by making reference to an in-depth historical reconstruction of the production practices that gave rise to the creation of this typical product. These practices are linked to the age-old traditions of pork butchery and curing which have been facilitated by the presence, since antiquity, of salt mines and distinctive climatic conditions resulting from the presence of specific levels of humidity, exposure to marine air currents and the concentration of large wooded areas.

In the Parma hills, it has always been possible to combine the techniques of the plain with the salt of Salsomaggiore.

The phrase 'techniques of the plain' means those methods for processing and curing pig meat that developed as far back as the Etruscan and Roman period owing to the presence of pig farms dedicated, among other things, to supplying food for the Roman legions. In the hills around the plain, these techniques were combined with the opportunity to make easier use of the salt from the Salsomaggiore mines as a result of the hills being the traditional focus point for processing the salt, which, being a precious substance, was processed in areas that were located far from communication routes and were thus more secure from possible raids.

Indeed, including because of the presence of these salt mines, the salting and processing of pig meat has, since 1300, led to the manufacture of products that are recognised at both national and international level.

### 5.2. Specificity of the product:

'Salame Felino' PGI differs from other products in the same commercial category owing to its firmness and non-springy consistency, its uniformity and leanness, and its ruby red colour. Its flavour is mild and delicate.

Unlike the vast majority of salamis on the market, 'Salame Felino' is packed exclusively in natural casings (i.e. never synthetic ones). It is free of lactose and powdered milk and has a moderately high pH, with the resultant improvement in the organoleptic qualities. 'Salame Felino' has more protein and less fat than other similar salamis.

### 5.3. Causal link between the geographical area and the quality or characteristics of the product (for PDO) or a specific quality, the reputation or other characteristic of the product (for PGI):

'Salame Felino' PGI's reputation is attested to by a copious bibliography of references and citations.

The first references date back as far as certain Latin authors of the 1st century AD (Apicus — *De re coquinaria*).

'Salame Felino' was well known in the courts that subsequently established themselves in the capital, from the Farnese to the Bourbons to Duchess Marie Louise.

The oldest depiction of the product seems to be found in the decoration of the interior of the Baptistery of Parma (1196-1307). On the frieze slab dedicated to the Aquarius sign of the zodiac, two salamis can be seen at the hearth on a rotating saucepan stand. These salamis are of a size and shape that can still be found today and are the same as those of 'Salame Felino' PGI.

A 1766 census of the pig population revealed that the Marquisate of Felino was the most lively pig market in the district. Dating from the same period are price lists for the Felino area quoting prices for lean and fatty salami. Reports of customs and culinary traditions for the early 19th century reveal that there was a distinctive method of processing pig meat into salami in the area around the town of Felino.

The entry 'Salame Felino' appeared in the Italian dictionary in 1905 and, in 1912, the production of salami in Felino was examined in the Ministry of Agriculture's report on economic performance for the year.



Since 1927, the relevant local public institutions have granted salami produced in the Province of Parma the name 'Salame Felino'. Indeed, this name must obviously have already enjoyed particular renown and reputation, and thus been particularly recognisable, if the Office and Provincial Council of the National Economy felt that promoting its commercial use was a means of boosting the wellbeing of the province. Still today, the fact that the production of 'Salame Felino' is rooted in the territory of the Province of Parma can be seen through research and studies into the area's gastronomic culture. Indeed, many reviews have linked 'Salame Felino' to the province's gastronomy, citing it as one of Parma's most highly appreciated sausagemeat products, the quality of which is inextricably linked to the centuries-old tradition that developed and is maintained unchanged only in the valleys of the Province of Parma. To this should be added the many events that continue to be organised both in Italy and abroad by both the local and provincial authorities of Parma in honour of 'Salame Felino', with stands being set up to offer tastings and information material on the characteristics of the product and its historical production in the Province of Parma.

**Reference to publication of the specification:**

(Article 5(7) of Regulation (EC) No 510/2006)

The Ministry launched the national objection procedure with the publication of the proposal for recognising 'Salame Felino' in the *Official Gazette of the Italian Republic*.

The full text of the product specification is available:

— at the following site [http://www.politicheagricole.it/DocumentiPubblicazioni/Search\\_Documenti\\_Elenco.htm?txtTipoDocumento=Disciplinare%20in%20esame%20UE&txtDocArgomento=Prodotti%20di%20Qualit%E0>Prodotti%20Dop,%20Igp%20e%20Stg](http://www.politicheagricole.it/DocumentiPubblicazioni/Search_Documenti_Elenco.htm?txtTipoDocumento=Disciplinare%20in%20esame%20UE&txtDocArgomento=Prodotti%20di%20Qualit%E0>Prodotti%20Dop,%20Igp%20e%20Stg)

or

— by going directly to the home page of the Ministry (<http://www.politicheagricole.it>) and clicking on 'Prodotti di Qualità' (on the left of the screen) and then on 'Disciplinari di Produzione all'esame dell'UE [regolamento (CE) n. 510/2006]'.  

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