



Association Serbia Grains

Advancement of production and export of grains, oil seeds and products

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To the kind attention of the Green Climate Fund Secretariat,

The Association Serbia Grains was founded in 2009 with the main goal to improve the production and exports of grains and oil seeds from Serbia. The Association leans on longstanding tradition of Yugoslavian Grains Fund, which existed in the Balkans region as an association of grain producers and exporters for 3 decades (1978 – 2009), with the very same goals, but on the much bigger surface of former SFR Yugoslavia covering nowadays region of Croatia, Slovenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, North Macedonia, Serbia and Kosovo. Association Serbia Grains represents the biggest grains, oilseeds and products exporting, including producing, companies in Serbia, also companies which deal with storing and accompanying services, quality control, transport and logistics. Association member companies organize production on almost one million hectares and own silos and warehouses for storing over 3 million tons of grains and oil seeds.

Association Serbia Grains member companies share in total grains and oil seeds export from Serbia during past 10 years is around 92% for corn, 89 % for wheat and 96% for oil seeds.

During past five years, in average, annual export of grains and oilseeds from Serbia by Association Serbia Grains member companies totalled around 3.5 million tons.

During the past months, our organization worked closely with experts from the Forest Department (Ministry of Agriculture, Forests and Water Management) and FAO to describe and analyze the close nexus between energy, forest's health and climate change in Serbia and of how forests are also paramount to ensure sustainability and profitability in the agrifood sector.

Therefore, the Association Serbia Grains is glad to support the project *"Enhancing the resilience of Serbian forests and the carbon storage potential of the country to support and boost the decarbonization process through adaptation and mitigation investments"*.

We believe that the proposed approach and activities are instrumental in reaching the objectives that the country identified with its National Strategy for Renewable Energy, its Nationally Determined Contribution, the Climate Change Law and the Low Carbon Development Strategy among other.

We look forward to further collaborating both during the design phase and execution of the project by facilitating knowledge exchanges and li:

Appreciatively,

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