

Union of cooked pressed-cheese producers

Emmental, Comté, Beaufort, Gruyère...

For more than eight centuries, these cheeses have shared the same tradition of pooling milk in mountain cheese dairies, known in French as *fruitières*.

In 1963, SIGF, the French union of cooked pressed-cheese producers, was created to represent this tradition.

In cooperation with CNIEL, SIGF carries out economic analyses to better understand the market. It also guarantees the quality and promotion of French cooked pressed cheeses.

Although the "G" of SIGF previously stood for Gruyère, the union has long been opened up to producers of all French cooked pressed cheeses.

Emmental is a clear market leader, representing 26.6 of French mature cheese produced in 2012 (made from cow's milk)

In 2012, 381,480 tonnes of cooked pressed cheeses were produced in France including 278,425 tonnes of Emmental

GOVERNING BODIES

SIGF is managed by a Governing Board composed of delegates of the three dairy federations, <u>FNCL</u>, <u>FNIL</u> and FNPL. These 18 delegates are nominated by the General Assembly for a one-year term.

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