

European Commission approves merger between FrieslandCampina and Milcobel

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The European Commission has approved the proposed merger between FrieslandCampina and Milcobel. The European Commission's investigation concluded that the merger does not pose a significant impediment to competition in relevant markets, including cheese trade and fresh dairy products in the Netherlands, Belgium and France.

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With the European Commission's approval, FrieslandCampina and Milcobel can proceed with preparations for the merger. On Tuesday, 16 December 2025, the FrieslandCampina Members' Council and Milcobel's Extraordinary General Meeting will take the final decision regarding the merger.