



European
Beekeeping
Association

Since February 2024

WHY EBA?

EBA was formed TO SOLVE YOUR PROBLEMS!

EBA will work for all beekeepers, regardless of which country in Europe they are from, or how many hives they have. At the beginning of the work, EBA directs all its focus exclusively on **3 MAIN OBJECTIVES**:

FIRST OBJECTIVE: The fight against counterfeit honey, in order to prevent consumer fraud and the endangerment of beekeepers in Europe. Work on the establishment of a uniform procedure for the detection of forgeries throughout Europe. Work on establishing a reference European laboratory for honey. Work on the promotion of all bee products.

SECOND OBJECTIVE: Introducing incentives per hive as compensation for the pollinating role of bees in maintaining ecological balance, biological diversity and food production in Europe.

THIRD OBJECTIVE: Suppression of bee poisoning and control of bee diseases by proper handling of bee medicines.

- 1) EBA was founded on February 10th, 2024, and registered on June 12th, 2024.
- 2) EBA President Boštjan Noč is from Slovenia (he has been the president of the Beekeeping Association of Slovenia for more than 17 years), and the vice-presidents and members of the Executive Board EBA are from Germany (Stefan Spiegl), Serbia (Rodoljub Živadinović), Malta (Jorge Spiteri) and Ukraine (Tetyana Vasylykivska): <https://ebaeurope.eu/leadership/>
- 3) EBA did not wait for registration to work, the following was done even before registration:
 - ▶ Launched his website www.ebaeurope.eu
 - ▶ Created the professional educational text “Europeans choose European honey” (<https://ebaeurope.eu/europeans-choose-european-honey/>)
 - ▶ Sent a letter to all members of the European Parliament with an appeal for support(<https://ebaeurope.eu/eba-sent-a-letter-to-the-europeanparliamentary-members/>)
 - ▶ Held a meeting with the European Commissioner for Agriculture (<https://ebaeurope.eu/eu-commissioner-for-agriculture-supported-all-proposals-of-eba/>)
 - ▶ Established by the EBA Scientific Committee. The objectives and goals of the EBA will be achieved through professional support. The EBA Scientific Committee serves as a crucial bridge between expert knowledge and the needs of beekeepers and consumers. It unites professionals and researchers who provide scientific counsel, focusing primarily on the safety and quality of bee products, as well as other important topics (<https://ebaeurope.eu/appointment-of-the-head-of-the-eba-scientific-committee-dr-urska-ratajc-2/> and <https://ebaeurope.eu/invition-to-join-the-eba-scientific-committee/>)
 - ▶ Sent an invitation for cooperation to EPBA (<https://ebaeurope.eu/eba-and-epba-have-the-same-main-goals/>)
 - ▶ Established the EBA magazine “NO BEES, NO LIFE”, which will be published in electronic form on the first of every month

- ▶ Made a decision on the membership of EBA in APIMONDIA
- ▶ Decided to organize a Scientific Conference on the quality of bee products in Brussels, at the beginning of 2025
- ▶ Conducted a large promotional campaign on the consumption of European honey on the occasion of World Bee Day (<https://eba-europe.eu/do-we-know-what-kind-of-honey-we-are-eating/>)
- ▶ Held a meeting with the president of APIMONDIA and got his support for EBA objectives (<https://eba-europe.eu/president-of-apimondia-supports-the-ebas-efforts-against-fake-honey/>)
- ▶ The EBA president-elect, even before the establishment of the EBA, by implementing his advanced ideas, achieved great results for all European beekeepers in the matter of marking the country of origin of honey (<https://eba-europe.eu/successes-of-eba-even-before-foundation/>)

**Insist your beekeeping organization to join the EBA.
ONLY TOGETHER we can achieve all objectives!**

The President of the EBA has already secured a donation of 25,000 euros for the work of the EBA for the next four years (100,000 euros in total), as well as 10,000 euros from the state of Slovenia, and this will be quite enough for the fast, efficient and successful work of the EBA on achieving the set objectives!

NO MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2024 & 2025

Conditions for free membership in the EBA 2024 and 2025:

- ▶ All those who have already joined the EBA by June 17, 2024.
- ▶ All national beekeeping associations or other beekeeping associations that are among the two largest in the country in terms of the number of beekeepers and will join the EBA by October 1, 2024.
- ▶ Possible withdrawal from the EBA is free of charge.



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