

*Czech Republic does not have any experience with regard to the new provisions 169-171. Under Czech corporate law, producer organisations (cooperatives) are created to defend farmers' – members of these cooperatives – interests. They help them with production planning, purchase of inputs, sales of outputs. In many occasion, cooperatives sell their members' production too.*

*However, the new articles 169 -171 of the CMO Regulation (+ Milk Package) envisage these possibilities (sale of member's products with or without transfer of ownership) for several sectors only.*

*Will be effectively deprived of this traditional function of cooperatives? We believe that general possibility for cooperatives to represent farmers' (members') interests should be maintained as it is currently in existence.*

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