

Join SNE to shape the future of specialised nutrition in Europe



Who we are

SNE unites and represents the specialised nutrition industry across Europe to contribute to positive framework conditions for our products for people with specific nutritional needs.

Specialised nutrition product categories covered by SNE:



Foods for Infants and Young Children



Foods for Special Medical Purposes



Foods Intended for Sports People

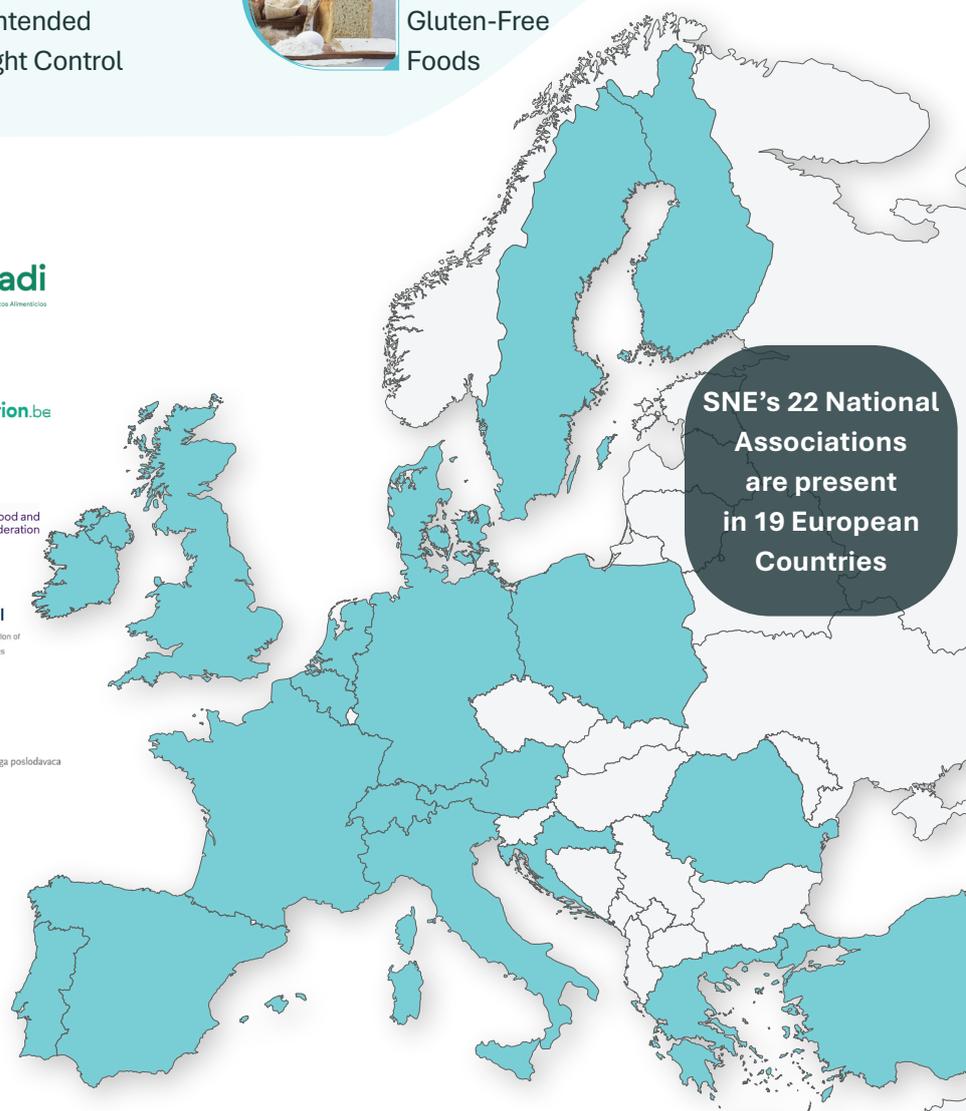


Foods Intended for Weight Control



Gluten-Free Foods

Our presence in Europe



SNE's 22 National Associations are present in 19 European Countries

Active in the specialised nutrition sector? Grow your impact with us.

Benefits of SNE membership:

Shape the regulation for specialised nutrition

Most of the legislation impacting specialised nutrition businesses in and around the EU is made in the capital of Europe: Brussels. SNE unites and represents the specialised nutrition industry across Europe and beyond.

Join our network of excellence

Interact with leading industry experts, stakeholders, and decision-makers. SNE is a recognized stakeholder at the EU level and an observer at Codex Alimentarius. We represent our industry with some of the most relevant medical/scientific societies and with a diverse range of stakeholders.

Access our cutting-edge expertise and real-time intelligence

Join our topical working groups to exchange with some of the industry's global and European leading experts about the regulatory trends and solutions of direct relevance to you and your product portfolio.

Boost your national advocacy

Learn from best practices and current discussions in other countries by engaging with a diverse range of National Associations.

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Europe



Recent Achievements

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More visibility: Our recent communication initiatives include factsheets, videos, podcasts, and a booth representing our sector at one of the most important Pediatric Society Congresses in Europe.
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Strict but usually achievable food safety provisions, informed also by data and information provided by SNE.
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Trusted partner of Medical Societies, also due to our well-recognised SNE Code of Practice.
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Secured the continued use of certain additives for infant and young child nutrition, by providing evidence to support dossiers, and by ensuring that our categories are appropriately catered for in the additives legislation.
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Secured better definition and visibility of sport foods in the context of an anti-doping standard.
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Secured exemptions for specialised nutrition in the new EU Packaging Regulation, to reflect strict food safety requirements.
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Secured the continued use of relevant health claims for infant and young child nutrition, for meal replacements and for sport foods.
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Built strong relationships with EU decision-makers, including the European Food Safety Authority, European Commission and European Parliament, and expanded our network through targeted outreach.

Communication Materials

At SNE, we regularly produce communication materials to convey the importance of specialised nutrition to key stakeholders. We also offer our members the option to have materials translated into their own language.



Our requests to European decision-makers

- Common standards to guarantee the best nutrition for all**
 - Solid and specific regulation for all foods for specific groups, especially 12 to 36 months and Sport Foods, which are both currently excluded from the General Food Law
 - To ensure consistency with the International Framework, the composition of Sport Foods should also be regulated at EU level.
 - We support strict food safety rules in the EU as the nutrition and protection of vulnerable groups should be a priority. However, thresholds and transitions have to be reasonably strict and institutions to prioritise scientific evidence and sound risk assessment.
- Enable consumers to make informed choices**
 - Avoid a one-size-fits-all for nutrition labelling: Because neither babies nor adults are average consumers, a multi-score or similar scheme is needed to allow consumers to make informed choices.
 - Enable digital labelling solutions for information such as recycling of packaging, ingredients and allergens.
 - Make it possible for all specialised nutrition products to comply with the same Nutrient Reference Values for the labels of products for young children and adolescents.
- Better address obesity, malnutrition, and food allergies**
 - Develop an EU nutrition and health agenda with all stakeholders to tackle obesity, malnutrition or food allergies.
 - Help raise awareness about the importance of nutrition in general and in particular, e.g. by communicating with healthcare professionals.
 - Healthcare professionals have a key role in advising parents and patients. Training should include more detail on nutrition. The EU could help with this through funding, support, and resources.
- Safeguard the internal market and an enabling food environment**
 - We regret that Member States' differing approaches on some of the key barriers to the internal market.
 - We encourage the EU Commission to take its responsibility by issuing the Regulation on Foods for Specific Groups, in the interest of specific groups.
 - We fully support FoodDrinkEurope's 5-step plan to achieve a sustainable investment, support innovation, boost trade and secure sustainable governance and coordination. For example, a dedicated Executive Vice President for Food to help avoid trade-offs on food safety, environmental goals, food security and nutrition.



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