Serving Europe represents the food and beverage branded chains in Europe. Our members run more than 20,000 outlets, employ more than a million employees and serve more than 20 million customers a day.

Our association takes the opportunity of this yearly report to reaffirm its full support to the aspirational objectives set out in the Code.

Over the past year, Serving Europe continued to make information available to members and host discussion about the Code of Conduct, its objectives and benefits. We have also conducted a survey with our members to map their current sustainability policies/practices and to identify the potential gaps. Following this exercise, Serving Europe will organise in the second half of the year a workshop on sustainable practices for our members to allow for exchange of best practices.

Serving Europe continues to engage with other food chain/system actors and EU and international policymakers to progress towards our common aspirations.

We would once again like to remind that our association is relatively small in comparison to other actors in the food chain and runs on a reduced budget, limiting the scope of potential activities that can be developed and coordinated centrally with the support of the Secretariat, such as “sector specific tools and resources”.

Serving Europe members will support the European Commission in its efforts to address the climate emergency and strive for a more sustainable society.

Yours sincerely,

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