

# **FINAT Webinar Series 2020**

COVID-19 update for the label industry 16 April 2020 | Updated survey results as per 21 April

The association for the European self-adhesive labelling and adjacent industries



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### **Outline**

- 1. Recap webinar 31 March
- 2. Update on developments
- 3. Deadlines for current measures
- 4. Survey converters results
- 5. Future considerations
- 6. Q&A



### **Recap webinar 31 March - General**

- State of emergency and lockdown in most of Europe
- EC Green Lanes initiative: ensure free movement of goods across EU borders
- EC State Aid initiatives: financial support for SMEs
- Workplace safety: working from home (WFH), non-overlapping shifts, hygiene, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), operational guidelines



### **Recap webinar 31 March - Concerns**

- Recognition of packaging as crucial industry in member state
  - Explicit vs. implicit (supply chain/services for crucial industries)
  - National association declarations
  - Permit of circulation for workers (e.g., FR)
- Shipment of finished products
  - Delays at border crossings; Green Lanes not optimal
  - Difficult international transport conditions: risk of delays, fear of quarantines, lack of restaurants underway...
- Availability of raw materials
  - Adhesives, ethanol, isopropanol
  - Supply from outside EU hindered
- Personnel and services
  - IT infrastructure: availability, security



### FINAT actions and relevant documentation

- <u>FINAT shared best practices and experiences</u> web page launched 13 March, updated daily additional input to share welcome!
- 16 March Pablo joins FINAT as Regulatory Affairs Manager
- 18 March: FINAT endorsement of joint paper and packaging industry statements such as <a href="Citpa">Citpa</a> and CEPI <a href="Letter">Letter</a> to DG Grow
- Presentation webinar 31 March
- <u>Industry statement</u> by FINAT released 1 April
- Suggested <u>guidelines</u> to help identify essentiality of goods and services (in collaboration with Mike Fairley/Label Academy) released 3 April
- 9 April: launch of <u>Converter Member Quick Scan</u>
- 16 April: Covid-19 Webinar #2



### **Updates on developments**

- Extension of lockdown
  - FR: to 11/5; BE,DE: to 3/5
- Restrictions being lifted
  - ES: construction, manufacturing resumed as of 13/4
  - DK: day care and elementary schools to open as of 15/4
  - AT: some non-essential shops open from 14/4; others to follow 1/5; restaurants mid-May
  - IT: some shops open; lighter measures expected from 4/5
  - DE: more shops open; schools will start reopening on 4/5
- Release of measures ≠ "back to normal pre-COVID"
  - Social distancing
  - PPE (e.g. use of masks in public)



### **Deadlines for current measures**

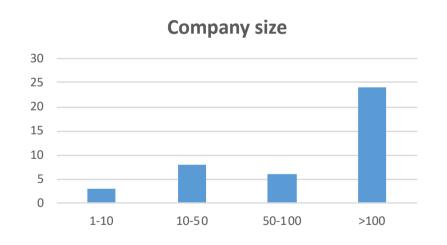
Country	DE	UK	FR	IT	ES	NL	DK	BE	AT	PL	GR
Deadline current	3/5	*	11/5	4/5	26/4	28/4	10/5	3/5	1/5	26/4	27/4
measures											
Update expected		16/4				21/4					

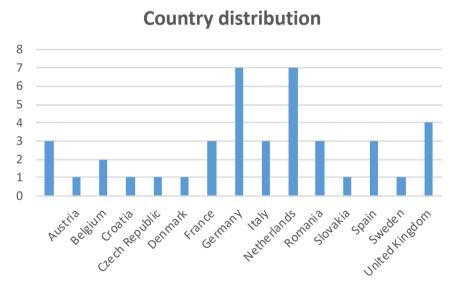
<sup>\*</sup>UK did not set an end-date to the lockdown measures, but need to be re-evaluated every 3 weeks



# **Survey converters**

### • 41 respondents from 14 countries

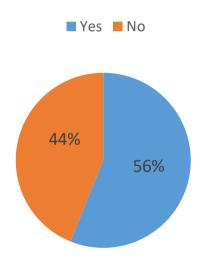






## **Converter production issues**

#### **Production affected since COVID-19 outbreak**



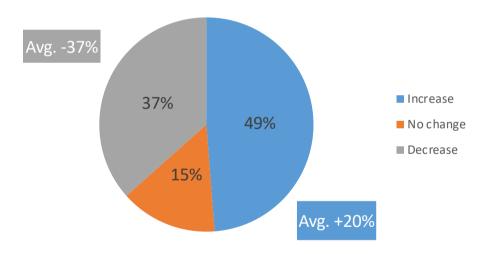
#### **Production issues encountered**





### Some win, some lose

#### **Total sales amount change since COVID**



#### **Sectors affected**

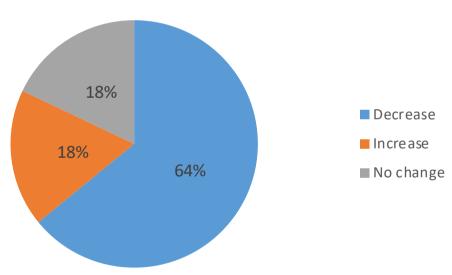
**Decrease:** food, cosmetics, alcoholic beverages

Increase: pharma, food



# **Forecast is negative**

#### Forecast 30-60 days





### Feedback received

- Lack of financial assistance critical, short- and medium-term
- Positive outlook to seize opportunity to grow and improve
- Challenging to keep staff working safe and also motivated
- Issues with supply of consumables
- "The policies are excessive and will hurt us in the long run"
- "Can FINAT assure us that we will be able to continue to produce?"
- "FINAT should represent a solidarity link between companies in need of Disaster Recovery Plan"
- "COVID will not go away. Labels will not go away either."



Your questions will now be answered on first come-first answered base.

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# Many thanks for your attention!

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