

**Media alert**  
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## **CosIng Catalogue includes entry for pure CBD**

Following the [ruling of the European Court of Justice on the Kanavape case](#) in November 2020, which established that CBD, extracted from the entire hemp plant (including leaves and flowers), should not be classified as a drug, **the European Industrial Hemp Association (EIHA) kindly asked DG Grow to update the Cosmetic ingredient database (CosIng)<sup>1</sup> accordingly**. More specifically, EIHA requested to lift all bans on Cannabis Sativa L. (restricted under ref. II/306: narcotic) and to integrate new INCI entries.

We are pleased to inform you that this request has been granted by including a [brand-new entry dedicated to Cannabidiol \(CBD\)](#) (**CANNABIDIOL – derived from extract or tincture or resin of cannabis**).

In practical terms, this means that now, in the EU, not only leaf extracts are allowed to be used in cosmetics, but also natural CBD (so far, only the use of synthetic CBD was envisaged in the database).

*“These are the types of news that make my day. Thanks to the intensive, yet very rewarding, work of our team and the trust our members put in us, **pure CBD (i.e., naturally-derived) and extracts from leaves containing CBD have been secured and can be now marketed in the EU as cosmetic products**”*. Says Ms Lorenza Romanese, EIHA Managing Director. *“I feel like the legal clarity we are meticulously asking for is about to come. Of course, there is still a long way to go, but it is a good thing that our constant efforts can be measured by tangible results”*.

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<sup>1</sup> CosIng is the database created by the European Commission to provide information on cosmetics substances and ingredients. The Catalogue serves an informative purpose and has no legal value; however, it serves as a guideline for Member States and operators, its ultimate purpose being to harmonise the marketing of cosmetic products across Europe.

## About the European Industrial Hemp Association

The **European Industrial Hemp Association (EIHA)** represents the common interests of hemp farmers, producers and traders working with hemp fibres, shives, seeds, leaves and cannabinoids. Our main task is to serve, protect and represent the hemp sector in the EU and international policy-making.

EIHA covers different areas for the application of hemp, namely its use for **construction** materials, **textiles**, **cosmetics**, **feed**, **food** and **supplements**.

More at: [www.eiha.org](http://www.eiha.org)

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