

Germany

By now, at least 80% of the milk produced in Germany is no longer delivered to the dairies, and many dairies have stopped production altogether or had to strongly reduce their output. The largest European dairy location, the Müllermilch dairy in Leppersdorf (East Germany), is totally blocked, with 400 dairy farmers preventing any vehicle from entering or leaving the premises. More dairies are blockaded in other federal states, too.

The media once again took great interest in the campaign. The outcome of the first talks (started at 7 p.m.) between the dairy farmers' association BDM and the dairy industry is awaited with great anticipation. The German farmers' association is also present at the meeting. The majority of German consumers and politicians seem to side with the milk producers. Tomorrow's day of action will mobilize a large number of dairy farmers and their families and neighbours.

Switzerland

In Switzerland, 50% of the milk produced is no longer being delivered to the dairies; approx. 10,000 dairy farmers have joined the strike. Uniterre and BIG-M are overwhelmed by the quick increase in the number of farmers signing up to campaign. The Swiss dairy farmers' association (SMP) is currently not calling upon farmers to go on strike. However, the association announced to join the strike if the talks to be held with the dairy industry (VMI) on Monday will not produce an acceptable outcome. Gatherings will once again be held tonight, with an estimated 2000 attending at four different venues. It is very encouraging to see the high turnout of young and female farmers at these gatherings.

Austria

The number of farmers joining the milk strike continues to grow very rapidly; farmers who are not members of IG-Milch have also stopped delivering milk to the dairies.

Luxembourg

The Luxlait dairy has signalled it is ready to talk to the dairy farmers; politicians in Luxembourg, too, have also stretched out a hand to LDB. A meeting with the Agriculture Committee of the Luxembourg Parliament has been scheduled for Wednesday. The readiness to go on strike is getting ever stronger. A consumer information action was organized at a trade show; the consumers are expressing sympathy with the dairy farmers' demands.

Belgium

A meeting will be held tonight with representatives from various dairies and the Wallonian farmers association. The outcome will be announced as soon as possible. (For further details, please turn to the Sunday morning report.)

The Netherlands, France, Denmark, Italy – more information will be provided tomorrow.