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Message from Henry Mott, CEPA's President

In the past year, public health and hygiene were at the forefront of not only the political agenda, but a priority for each and every world citizen. Professional trained pest managers of Europe have proven essential during this period, maintaining hygiene in public places across many European countries.

European professional trained pest managers are key to preventing any additional disastrous consequences on public health caused by already visible increases in pest activity due to contributing factors such as of buildings being left empty and waste collection being delayed during lockdown.

Expertise of our sector in disinfection and the controlling pest activity proved key to this current difficult period. While governments fought with COVID-19, it remained essential to not allow further health crises to arise. In order to get ahead of the threat to public health, public authorities and economic

actors coordinated with experts in our industry, as a body of hygiene professionals who were able to help prevent any further harm to European society.

In 2020, CEPA worked on its commitments to its priorities: Public Health, Sustainability, Healthy Cities, and SMEs, and in 2021 we will continue this commitment, building awareness of CEPA and our essential industry.

- Henry Mott, President of CEPA #TheGoodPestManager

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**CEPA Certified Auditing of the
Auditors seminar hosted by CEPA**



The CEPA Certified Auditor's online training session took place on the 9th of April 2021 at 10:00 CET. The Certifying Bodies, national associations and CEPA members came together to talk about CEPA Certified.

CEPA Certification leaders and CEPA Certifying Auditors discussed updates around the scheme. The seminar was attended by more than 70 participants from all over Europe, making it the biggest event in CEPA's history. In this new era of the CEPA Certification governance, seeking transparency and compliance, the CEPA Certified scheme assures the transparency, professionalism and control of CEPA certification and allows us to enter into a new era in terms of governance with Certifying bodies and structuring of our internal management through the national associations.

Thank you to all those who attended. For those who want to find out more about the CEPA Certified scheme please visit the [CEPA Certified website](#).

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Launch of the CEPA IPM 3-cities Project



On 1 April, CEPA launched its Integrated Pest Management 3-cities project and call for candidate cities in a new and exciting project which will demonstrate the innovation and professionalism of the professional trained pest management sector.

The CEPA 'IPM 3-cities project' seeks to establish a trial of 'Integrated Pest Management' (IPM) use in urban pest management in three locations across the EU. An initiative of the CEPA Board of Directors, the goal is to further study the benefits of IPM in order to support CEPA's efforts towards sustainability and the broader concept of IPM as a major tool of trained pest management professionals. The project will also demonstrate the relevance of IPM as a self-regulatory standard - as set out by the CEPA [Memorandum of Understanding](#) of trained pest management professionals.

The CEPA Scientific Committee will run the overall initiative and the set off of the project will be a contest to identify three medium-sized cities in Europe of around 100 000 inhabitants maximum, using rodent control as the object of the study. In parallel, with the support of the CEPA secretariat, CEPA aims to find EU funding for the project.

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Priorities for vaccinations in key sectors 🎤
**Talking Pest Management with
Daniel Schröer**



Talking Pest Management is a leading worldwide source of pest control news and opinion. It is designed for business leaders and opinion formers around the globe and explores current market situations and also innovative new technologies.

Their videos feature interviews with prominent industry figures to bring you market-affecting insights, with the aim of helping people make informed business decisions in our industry and beyond. The series has so far featured CEPA board members such as [Henry Mott](#), [Ian Andrew](#), [Håkan Kjellberg](#), [Rune Bratland](#), [Patrick Vernié](#) and [Monica Biglietto](#).

Click below to watch CEPA Board Member, Ian Andrew, being interviewed on the topic of COVID-19 guidance and vaccination priorities in our sector...



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