



"The secret of a good team lies in order, that everyone knows what to do" (Pep Guardiola)

NEW CAMPAIGN. PROUD OF OUR PEOPLE

A new campaign has just started, the 22nd since AILIMPO was founded in 1998. It happens to us like children when they start their school year with excitement, fears and uncertainties. The meeting at Fruit Attraction marks the beginning of the campaign and we have more than 9 months of work ahead of us to harvest, export and process more than one million tons, a task that is only possible thanks to the **commitment and effort of more than 20,000 workers** who develop their working day with the legal conditions established by the collective agreements and the Spanish and European labor legislation, which is the most demanding in the world. This is all part of our commitment to social sustainability. We do not need seals, certificates or audits, **we have the guarantee of European social standard**. A plus light years ahead of the working conditions found in other producing countries. This is undoubtedly another differential aspect of our Spanish lemons. Proud of our people and proud of our social commitment.



ARGENTINA 0 - SOUTH AFRICA 9

This is not about the result of the soccer match between the two teams. It is about the result reported by the EUROPHYT system of the European Union on the phytosanitary interceptions (Citrus Black Spot) of batches of lemon imported this summer. No lot has been detected with black spot on the fruit originating in Argentina. However, the data from South Africa is worrying, with 9 batches of lemons from this country with the dreaded disease that have been detected in different European ports, and that have either been destroyed or redirected to markets outside Europe.



Europhyt Interceptions

Although continuing with the soccer simile, this reverse score reflects the excellent performance of Messi, Maradona and other players in the Argentinian lemon sector. Here it is not about scoring goals, but actually the opposite, if you work as a team you win games, and finishing with a clean sheet is the greatest success. The EU audit of Argentina in February already anticipated that the control measures in Argentina had been implemented. The high result for South Africa anticipates that the EU will tighten access conditions for fruit from this origin in 2022.

The fungus 'Guignardia citricarpa' causes the so-called Citrus black spot disease that mainly affects commercial citrus fruit, although leaves and stems can also be infected. This fungus, present in many citrus-producing countries but not in Spain or the rest of the EU, causes a loss of commercial quality in the fruit and poses a serious threat to EU production

WORLD CITRUS CONGRESS

The WCO, co-chaired by Ailimpo, is organizing the second edition of this Congress on November 16-17 in online format due to COVID restrictions. It will be an opportunity to discuss the challenges of the sector and the dynamics and trends of consumption.