



# **EFSA ROLLING WORK PLAN ON THE ACTIVITIES WITH ITS STAKEHOLDERS**

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# 1. Introduction

- In the frame of enhancing the interaction with EFSA's stakeholders, EFSA presents the Rolling Work Plan of all activities and events organised for and with its stakeholders (including in particular the Platform).
- The Rolling Work Plan presents different tools to enhance interaction. All of them will be presented in the following slides.
- The Rolling Work Plan will be constantly updated.

## 2. Stakeholders Platform Plenary meetings

- The Stakeholders Platform plenary meetings take place three times per year. These are meetings to discuss horizontal and scientific issues with all Members of the Platform.
- Plenaries represent a two-ways communication process on issues of interests for EFSA and the Platform Members.
- Dates foreseen for plenaries in 2010:  
Brussels: 13th – 14th April 2010  
Parma: 1st and 2nd July 2010  
Brussels: 16th and 17th November 2010

### 3. Contribution of the Stakeholders Platform to horizontal documents

- Review of the EFSA Communication Strategy. A first presentation was made to the Stakeholders Platform at the December meeting. Following the MB endorsement on the 18th March, the Review of the Communication strategy is opened to public consultation. Contributions by the stakeholders are expected by the end of May.
- Draft Management Plan (DMP): outlines the main deliveries and key projects scheduled for 2011. Open for consultation from April 2010. Comments are expected by 1st September 2010.

# 4. Technical meetings

- Technical meetings are meetings organised with Platform members and with other stakeholders' organisations (depending on the topic discussed).
- They are focused on the provision and collection of information, exchange of views, exchange of data.
- The technical meetings foreseen for 2010 so far are 11 and will be shortly presented in the following slides subdivided by Unit.

# A. Genetically modified organisms (GMOs)

1. Technical hearings with stakeholders and applicants in the framework of the GMOs authorisation procedure. Date foreseen: October 2010
2. Technical meeting with environmental NGOs in the field of GMOs. Date foreseen: September 2010

- Technical meeting with stakeholders on Harvesting Feathers. Date foreseen: 28 May 2010;
- Technical meeting with stakeholders on health and welfare aspects of genetic selection of broilers. Date foreseen: 2th July following the Plenary meeting of the Platform.

# C. Food Additives, Nutrient Sources Added to Food (ANS)

- Technical meeting with stakeholders on new Regulation setting the re-evaluation programme for food additives. Date foreseen: July or September 2010.
- Technical meeting with stakeholders presenting the evaluation programme on nutrient sources for the fortification of food. Date foreseen: last trimester 2010.

# D. Food Contact Materials, Enzymes, Flavourings (CEF)

- Technical meeting with stakeholders on issues relevant for the risk assessment of flavourings other than flavouring substances. Date foreseen: 4th and 5th March 2010.
- Technical meeting with stakeholders and the applicants in the framework of the flavourings authorisation procedure. Date foreseen: 13th April 2010.
- Scientific meetings on trial dossiers to prepare the workflow on food enzymes. Date foreseen: spring 2010.

- Technical meeting with stakeholders on pesticides. Date foreseen: December 2010.
- Technical meeting with stakeholders on specific protection goals for environmental risk assessment of pesticides. Date foreseen: 15th and 16th April 2010.

# 5. Stakeholders' Working Group

Working groups of the Stakeholders Consultative Platform are formed by Stakeholders' Members organisations working together on horizontal issues of common interest in order to act as a specialised advisory group reporting back to the Platform.

# The WG on the Stakeholders engagement on EFSA's activities

- The WG will be formed by those Platform Members expressing their interest to be part of it at the April Plenary meeting.
- The whole process triggered by a brainstorming meeting in June 2010 with the whole Platform to provide ideas to be elaborated in a paper to be submitted to the Platform.
- Timing foreseen:
  - establishment: 14th April
  - special brainstorming: June/July
  - drafting of the WG: July/Sept
  - delivery of the WG draft paper
  - endorsement by the Platform of the final document submitted by the WG

## 6. Stakeholders Consultative Group

- Consultative Groups are formed by Stakeholders Members organisations willing to cooperate and willing to provide early information and data on issues where the knowledge of different approaches and perspectives are relevant for the EFSA's preliminary work.
- EFSA established in April 2010 the Stakeholders CG on Emerging Risks through an open call for submissions of candidatures.
- The first meeting will take place on the 4th June. The SCGEmRisks will report back to the Platform at the Plenary November meeting.

# 7. A. Stakeholders Conferences

- EFSA will organise in Parma on the 10th May a conference on “***Can science and innovation build a more sustainable food chain?***”.
- The conference will include key speakers from the EU Commission and national Ministries and a round table including consumers, industry, farmers and research organisations.

# 7. B. Stakeholders Conferences

- On the 1st June EFSA will organise a special technical meeting with stakeholders organisations, Member States and the EU Commission on the EFSA **risk assessment of health claims**.
- The conference will be open upon registration.

## 7. C. Stakeholders conferences

- With the aim of reinforcing the interaction and cooperation with EFSA's stakeholders, at the beginning of 2011, EFSA intends to organise the conference: "**EFSA meets its stakeholders**".
- The conference will have the purpose to meet EFSA's stakeholders, to illustrate EFSA's work in the risk assessment/risk communication, to present the main achievements and the main objectives of EFSA's activities.

## 7.D. EFSA's colloquia

- On the 24/25th June EFSA will organise in Parma a Colloquium on emerging risks with stakeholders organisations, academics, Member States representatives.

# 8. Open Consultations

- Following consultation with the Platform Working Group on public consultation, EFSA adopted a document on the “*EFSA’s approach on public consultation on scientific documents*”. The document provides the criteria and the different procedural steps for the EFSA’s consultation on scientific outputs.
- In the following slides the 8 open consultations foreseen by EFSA’s Units on scientific outputs in 2010 are listed.

# A. Plant Protection Products and their Residues (PPR)

- 1) Public consultation on the draft guidance on the use of probabilistic methodology for modelling dietary exposure to pesticide residues. (closure date of the consultation: 10th May)
- 2) Public consultation on the draft scientific opinion on the EFSA guidance on use of field and accumulation studies for exposure assessment of plant protection products in soil (closure date of the consultation: 15th October).
- 3) Public consultation on the scientific opinion on the science behind the revision of the guidance document on dermal absorption (closure date of the consultation: second semester 2010)

## B. Scientific Committee (SC)

- Public consultation on the draft guidance document on the risk-benefit assessment of food (closure date of the consultation: 15th April)
- Public consultation on the draft opinion on guidance on the 90-day feeding trials for whole food and feed (closure date of the consultation: second semester 2010 (tbc)).

# C. Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)

- Public consultation on the assessment of allergenicity of GM plants and microorganisms and derived food and feed (closure date of the consultation: 14th February)
- Public consultation on the draft guidance on the assessment of potential impacts of genetically modified GM plants on non-target organisms (NTOs) (closure date of the consultation: 30th April)
- Public consultation on the draft guidance document for the environmental risk assessment of genetically modified plants (closure date of the consultation: 30th April)