

NOTE TO ADVISORY FORUM

Subject: Set up of the new Scientific Network on Residues of Veterinary Medicinal Products Data Collection

In the framework of Article 31 of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002¹, the Commission requests EFSA's assistance in the collection of the data obtained by the Member States (MSs) in accordance with Council Directive 96/23/EC² and in the annual preparation by the Commission services of a communication to the European Parliament and the Council.

Based on the mandate received, EFSA shall develop a European data collection system allowing direct data submission by the MSs of sample based data on residues of veterinary medicinal products to EFSA on an annual basis starting with 2017 data.

Article 23 (g) of the EFSA Founding Regulation stipulates that EFSA shall establish a system of networks of organisations operating in the fields within its mission and be responsible for their operation.

The aim of such networking as defined in Article 36 of EFSA's Founding Regulation, is to facilitate a scientific cooperation framework by the coordination of activities, the exchange of information, the development and implementation of joint projects, the exchange of expertise and best practices.

Therefore a new network is necessary to be established in order to coordinate and facilitate data collections for the residues of veterinary medicinal products.

Articles 2 and 3 of the Executive Director Decision on Rules of Procedures of EFSA Networks³ outline the legal basis for consulting the Advisory Forum on setting up the Network. Based on this Decision, we would like to kindly request you to designate the members of the network.

¹ Regulation (EC) N°178/2002 of the European Parliament and the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety. OJ, L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1-24

² Council Directive 96/23/EC on measures to monitor certain substances and residues thereof in live animals and animal products and repealing Directives 85/358/EEC and 86/469/EEC and Decisions 89/187/EEC and 91/664/EEC. OJ L 125, 23.5.1996, p. 10.

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/scdocs/doc/panelnetworksrop.pdf>

This note to the Advisory Forum complements the Term of Reference of the new Scientific Network on Residues of Veterinary Medicinal Products Data Collection.

Related documents enclosed:

1. Mandate received from the European Commission



Mandate.pdf

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