

Scientific Committee and Emerging Risks (SCER) Unit

Emerging Risks Exchange Network (EREN)

Minutes of the 14th meeting

Held on 25 -26 November 2015, Madrid, Spain

(Agreed on 25 January 2016)

Participants

- Network Representatives of Member States (including EFTA Countries):

Country	Name
Austria	Johann Steinwider
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Croatia	Martina Jurkovic
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Finland	Pirkko Tuominen
France	Juliette Bloch
Germany	Petra Luber
Greece	Eirini Tsigarida
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Ireland	Karl Mcdonald
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Slovakia	Zuzana Birošava
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- **EFSA:**

Scientific Committee and Emerging Risks unit:

Tobin Robinson (chair), Caroline Merten (minutes), Ana Afonso, Francesca Piombini.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Luboš Babička (Czech Republic).

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Action points from last meeting

All action points from the last meeting were followed up according to the agreed timelines.

4. Topics for discussion

4.1 Presentation and discussion of EFSA and MSs signals

4.1.1. Toxic dermatitis due to raw consumption of shiitake mushrooms

4.1.2 Increased incidence of Salmonella Infantis in poultry meat

4.1.3 Zoonotic spread of Carbapenemase resistant enterobacteria (CPE's)

4.1.4 Artificial rice

4.1.5 Yersinia pseudotuberculosis outbreak in raw milk

4.1.6 Hay as food or food additive

4.1.7 Oxalic acid in green smoothies

4.1.8 Natural occurrence of bisphenol F (BPF) in mustard

4.1.9 Detection of illegal use of cyromazine through drinking water in laying hens

4.2 Further information on previous EFSA and MSs signals

4.2.1 Update on Influenza D virus

4.2.2 Update on the ciguatera research project

4.2.3 Intake of (raw) red beet juice by sportsmen

4.2.4 Predictive model on mycotoxin risk factors

4.3 Feedback on EFSA and MSs activities

4.3.1 Overview of the International Food Safety Authorities Network (INFOSAN) and proposed collaboration with EREN

4.3.2 General procedures related to emerging risks in Germany and at the BVL, in particular

4.3.3 Incident of hexachlorobenzene contamination

4.3.4 FSA quarterly assessment of emerging issues

5 Date and venue for meetings in 2016

Date for the 15th EREN meeting: 14- 15 April 2016 in Parma, Italy.

Date for the 16th EREN meeting: 14- 15 November 2016 in Bratislava, Slovakia.

6 Conclusions

7 Closure of the meeting