



EFSA Science Strategy 2012-2016

Management Board meeting
Warsaw, 15 December 2011

2008/09	Strategy Plan 2009-2013
Nov.'10	Report Tony Hardy: "What is EFSA today and where should it go"
Dec.'10	Draft key objectives & initiatives
Jan. '11	Internal Science Strategy Workshop
Apr.-Jun.'11	Consultation of EFSA Staff, SC and AF
Jun.'11	Discussion in MB (<i>cf.</i> reflections paper on EFSA portal)
Jul.-Aug.'11	Drafting the Science Strategy
Sep.-Oct.'11	Consultation of EFSA staff, SC, AF and MB
20 Oct.'11	Discussion in MB
4 Nov.'11	Launch of Public Consultation (deadline 21 Nov'11)
<i>15 Dec.'11</i>	<i>Discussion and possible adoption by MB</i>

Developments after discussion at Board meeting on 20 October:

- Input received from the Management Board:
 - ***Reliance on EFSA Staff for scientific work***
 - ***Enhancing capacity on data collection***
 - ***Optimising scientific cooperation***
 - ***Structure and functioning of the Scientific Committee***
 - ***Balancing public health issues and work on regulated products***
- Further comments from the Scientific Committee
- Comments from the public consultation

- 24 October 2011: the Management Board endorsed a Draft Science Strategy 2012-2016 for public consultation
- 21 November 2011: public consultation is closed
- More than 60 comments from 16 organisations and individuals were submitted
- No fundamental criticism on the document

Further details on:

- *scientific research performed in the Member States*
- *reviewing and balancing priorities*
- *interaction with stakeholders and with risk managers*

Explicit reference to:

- *data collection from European research projects*
- *EFSA's Policy on Independence*
- *cooperation on data collection with international and EU agencies*

EFSA provides Europe with the best scientific advice that enables timely decision-making to protect consumers from food-related risks and support healthy dietary choices

- Scientific excellence and other core values
- Integrated advice
- Scientific outputs

2. Risk assessment capacity

- Planning and priority settings
- SP/SC scientific experts and internal expertise
- Cooperation with Member States
- Cooperation with EU agencies, international and third countries organisations

3. Methodologies and approaches

- Harmonisation
 - Within EFSA, with Member States, other EU agencies, international
 - Implementation/training
- New methodologies
 - Broadening scientific discourse
 - Research needs
 - Multi-annual planning
- Approaches on regulated substances (application desk)

- Regulatory reviews
- Data collection
 - Strengthen data collection for exposure
 - Identify new areas: hazard characterisation, trade
- Scientific literature
 - Published
 - IEP – international
- Research

- Implementation
 - Workshop in January for EFSA staff
 - Dialogue with key partners in 1st Quarter
 - Management - Prioritisation
 - Resource allocation: staff, IT, sci. cooperation
 - (Multi-)annual planning
- Review
 - Annual – against KPIs
 - Regular review