

45th Focal Point meeting
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FP REVIEW: A SHARED OPPORTUNITY

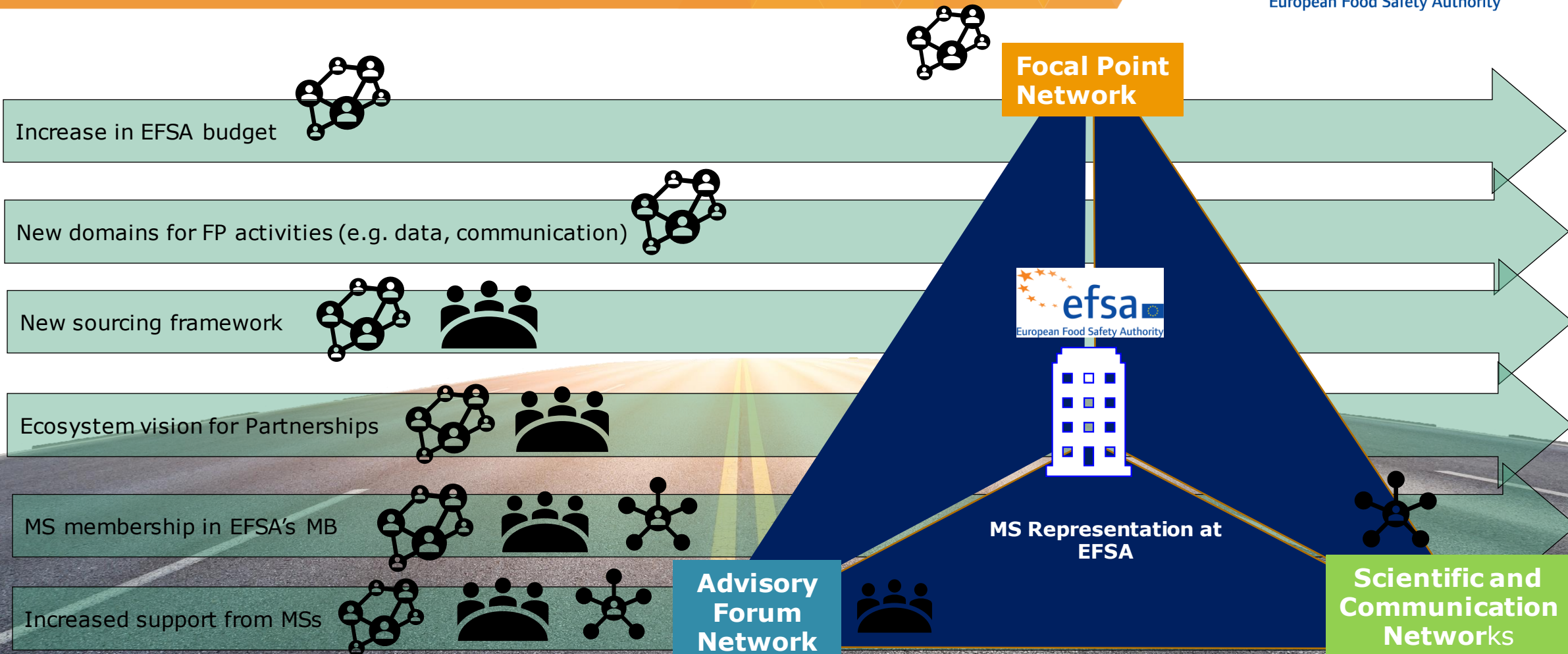
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Focal Point Review

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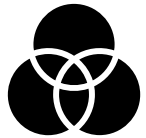


TR: Transparency, Sustainability and Communication pillars

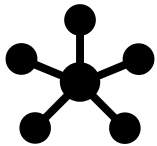
Strategy 2022 -2027: trust, preparedness, engagement (SOs)



Cost-benefit analysis of the current operations including suggestions to have a **fit-for-purpose network**, aligned with the requirements of the new **Transparency Regulation**;



Alternative scenarios to the current operational cooperation model (including benchmarking with cooperation systems in other EU agencies);



Alternative scenarios set in a way to ensure FPs are fit for purpose to address **future MS collaboration initiatives** considering the new constellation of entities brought up by the Transparency Regulation that may play a role in this domain: the MB, the AF and FPs.



Involvement of Advisory Forum and Focal Points through dedicated interviews and/ or survey - 3 months after entry into force of contract (**March-April 2021**).



Interim report by May 2021, **final report** with proposal for implementation **August 2021**.



Further alignment with DG SANTE on the implementation of cooperation structures (MB, AF, FP).



Recommendations to be discussed through the involvement of the Advisory Forum members and concluded **by the end of the year**.

0. Inception phase

What?

Fine-tuned methodology and approach

How?

Understanding of the study and expectations

When?

2 weeks after entry into force of contract

1. Literature search

What?

Report on literature search based

How?

Literature will be analysed chronologically and based on specific topics relevant for feeding the information necessary for answering the evaluation questions

When?

2 months after entry into force of contract

2. Dedicated interviews and survey

What?

Report on interviews and survey

How?

- Involvement of Advisory Forum and Focal Points through dedicated interviews and survey
- interviews with the representatives of EFSA working directly with the Focal Points and managing their dossiers and grant contracts (ENCO, DATA, COM, APLHA, FIN Units).

When?

3 months after entry into force of contract

3. Evaluation and proposal

What?

Final report with proposal for Focal Point Network optimization

How?

Using the inputs and findings from the data collection (literature, interviews, survey), Ecorys will propose different scenarios for optimization of the Focal Point Network, elaborate their strengths and weaknesses and mitigation measures.

When?

6 months after entry into force of the contract



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