



SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE AND EMERGING RISKS UNIT

Emerging Risks Exchange Network (EREN)

Secretariat notes of the 25th meeting

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Participants

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

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- **European Commission and Agencies / International Organisations:**
- Andrea Osborn and Zana Dukadzinac (CFIA), Luis Vivas-Alegre (EC), Marian Scott (EC SCEER), Xenia Trier (EEA), Vittorio Fattori and Jeff Lejeune (FAO), Alessandro Fiorelli (FDA). Raul F Garcia Acevedo (WHO).
- **Member States Speakers:**
- Celine Richome (ANSES), Solbjørg Hogstad (NFSA), Mirco Barbero (EC).
- **Observers:**
- Claudia Reckzeh (BVL).
- **EFSA:**
- SCER Unit: Caroline Merten, Bernard Bottex, Raquel Garcia Matas, Alexandra Lewandowska, Georgia Gkrintzali, Angelo Maggiore, Christina Kyrkou, Milen Georgiev, Elena Zeraschi.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

New nominated representatives of Member States having joined EREN were welcomed (Jenny Aasa from Sweden, new member and Urska Bolha from Slovenia, new member).



2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted.

3. Presentation and discussion of EFSA and MSs signals

- 3.1 Briefing note on A New Ovine Pestivirus Closely Related to Classical Swine Fever Virus identified in Italy (ID 0434)
- 3.2 Briefing note on the Identification of Potential for Prohibited Pesticide Residues in Food (ID 0435)
- 3.3 Briefing note on Risk of overdosing of Vit D in food supplements (ID 0436)
- 3.4 Proposal on a joint EREN approach to scan the internet to pick up 'early signals' on nutritional supplements)
- 3.5 Briefing note on the Health risks of bamboo cups (ID 0437)
- 3.6 Briefing note on First detection of West Caucasian Lyssavirus in a cat in Italy (ID 0438)
- 3.7 Briefing Note on Shiga Toxin Producing Escherichia albertii (ID 0439)
- 3.8 Briefing note on Health risks of coconut oil (ID 0440)
- 3.9 Survey results on the Short issues from autumn 2020

4. Further information on previous EFSA and MSs signals

- 4.1 Knowledge based analyses for supporting emerging risk identification: Structural hole spanners in patent citation networks (some info on ID0418)
- 4.2 Results on exploratory study to determine the spread of E.coli ST131 strains (ID 0396) in the poultry sector
- 4.3 Follow ups on food safety of seaweed (ID0351)
- 4.4 Follow up on the short issue on global increase in anaemia in women by EEA and DG ENV)
- 4.5 Update on ID0288, ID0315 and ID0338. Increase of ergot alkaloids in cereals
- 4.6 Update on ID0394 on Mycobacterium bovis in French foxes



5. Feedback on EFSA and MSs activities

- 5.1 Development of a method for threat analysis in the context of the risk of emergence or re-emergence of infectious animal diseases (MORISKIN project)
- 5.2 New EFSA project on food fraud
- 5.3 Discussion on an EREN paper for an update of the network activities

6. Any other Business & Closure of the meeting

- 6.1 TBEV survey
- 6.2 Follow up on DEMETER
- 6.3 EFSA conference 2022: call for abstract spring 2021
- 6.4 Short update about poisoning with *Datura stramonium* (Jimson weed) in frozen spinach in Slovakia