



Network on *Echinococcus multilocularis* Minutes of the 11th meeting

Held on 06 October 2021

WEB - conference

(Agreed on 06 October 2021)¹

Participants

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

Country	Name ²
Finland	Marja ISOMURSU; Antti OKSANEN
Ireland	James O'SHAUGHNESSY; William BYRNE
Norway	Inger Sofie HAMNES; Craig SIMPSON

- **Hearing Experts**

Adriano CASULLI (ISS)

- **European Commission:**

Pedro ROSADO-MARTIN (DG SANTE), Luis VIVAS-ALEGRE (DG SANTE)

- **EFSA:**

ALPHA Unit (Gabriele Zancanaro (Chair), Ludovico Lombardo (Presenter))

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from William BYRNE (EI), Pedro ROSADO-MARTIN (DG SANTE), Craig SIMPSON (NO) and Luis VIVAS-ALEGRE (DG SANTE)

2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

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² Indicate first full name and them surname (John Smith) throughout the document

3. Topics for discussion

3.1. Scientific Assessment: discussion on the annual report 2021 (reporting period 2020-2021)

The chair informed the experts about the novelties, i.e. the restructuring of the annual report's layout.

The chair also informed that, due to the UK exiting the EU, for the assessment of the UK surveillance activity, EFSA considered only the data relative to Northern Ireland and did not perform the assessment on Great Britain data.

The draft Scientific Report was discussed, focussing on the comments provided by the participants.

4. Endorsement

The document was endorsed by the national representatives.

5. Any Other Business

The participants welcomed the idea of participating in a joint project, in collaboration with the EURLP, aiming at assessing the actual sensitivity of the existing laboratory tests to detect *Echinococcus multilocularis*.

6. Closure of the meeting

