

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON  
PLANT PROTECTION PRODUCTS AND THEIR RESIDUES (PPR)**  
122<sup>nd</sup> Panel Plenary meeting



28 September 2023

09:30-11:00

MINUTES - Agreed on 10 October 2023

**Location:** Teleconference

**Attendees:**

- **Panel Members:** Pauline Adriaanse, Annette Aldrich, Philippe Berny, Tamara Coja, Sabine Duquesne, Andreas Focks, Antonio Hernandez-Jerez (chair), Marina Marinovich, Maurice Millet, Olavi Pelkonen, Anneli Widenfalk, Martin Wilks
- **Hearing Experts<sup>1</sup>:** Not Applicable
- **European Commission and/or Member States representatives:** Not Applicable
- **EFSA:**
  - PREV UNIT: Sofia Batista Leite, Marco Binaglia, Anna Federica Castoldi, Arianna Chiusolo, Katia Chukwubike, Federica Crivellente, Frédérique Istace, Dimitra Kardassi, Anna Lanzoni, Renata Leuschner, Jochem Lousse, Martina Panzarea, Juan Parra Morte, Manuela Tiramani
  - PLANTS Unit: Maria Arena, Christopher Lythgo, Vincenzo Padricello, Laura Maria Villamar Bouza
  - MESE Unit: Laura Martino

## 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

Apologies received from Aaldrik Tiktak, Silvia Pieper, Christopher Topping and Gerrit Wolterink.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of Interest of Panel members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence<sup>2</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management<sup>3</sup>, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Panel members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

<sup>1</sup> As defined in Article 17 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work: <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate\\_publications/files/policy\\_independence.pdf](http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf)

<sup>3</sup> [http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate\\_publications/files/competing\\_interest\\_management\\_17.pdf](http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf)



## 4. On-going activities of the Scientific Committee

The Panel was informed on the on-going activities of the Scientific Committee (SC). The following activities were presented:

- Exposure and risk assessment of Fluoride
- Exposure and risk assessment of Bromide
- Guidance on Protocol development
- Guidance on Epidemiological studies
- Draft guidance on risk benefit assessment
- Read across guidance.

## 5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

### 5.1. Opinion on the use and reporting historical control data (HCD) for regulatory studies ([EFSA-Q-2021-00274](#))

The Panel was updated on the status and planning of the activities for the development of the Scientific Opinion. The Panel was also informed that a template for presenting HCD is under development.

### 5.2. EFSA statement on toxicological properties and maximum residue levels of acetamiprid and its metabolites ([EFSA-Q-2022-00589](#))

The Panel was informed on the extension of the EC mandate requesting EFSA's advice on whether the new scientific evidence that has become available since the renewal of acetamiprid in 2018, warrants a re-evaluation of the toxicological properties of acetamiprid and its metabolites. In particular, new evidence was submitted to EFSA to be evaluated by the EFSA Working Group.

## 6. Any other business

None.

## 7. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 7 (PM) and 8 (AM) November 2023, in Parma and via teleconference and it will be open to observers (connected via web-conference).