

1st meeting of the working group on the request for scientific and technical assistance to evaluate the application of Slovenia to be recognised as having a negligible risk of classical scrapie

**Location:** Web-meeting

**Attendees:**

- **Working group members:**, Giulio di Piazza, Angel Ortiz Pelaez (Chair), Giuseppe Ru, Marion Simmons
- **Other:** Barbara Lanfranchi from RANDSTAD participated under the contract CP/IHUF2060/374

## I. Welcome and apologies

- The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies received.

## II. Adoption of the agenda

- The agenda was adopted without changes. A correction was made in the final agenda.

## III. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

- In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group 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.
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## IV. Scientific topic(s) for discussion ([EFSA-Q-2024-00183](#))

- The working group reviewed the dossier enclosed to the mandate and the reply by the Slovenian competent authority to the additional request for data submitted by EFSA on 30 April 2024. A number of decisions were made on how to proceed with the analysis of the data: the calculation of the relative risk sheep/goats and NSHC/SHC, the Slovenian population and tested data in the last seven years, future testing as declared in the dossier and the number of years to be analysed.

## V. Next meetings

- The schedule of the next meetings for 2024 was agreed as follows:
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> WG meeting: web-conference on Friday 21 June 2024 09:30-13:30h CET.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> WG meeting: web-conference on Friday 30 August 2024 09:30-13:30h CET.



## **VI. AOB**

- **There was no other business. The Chair thanked the participants and closed the meeting.**