



# Workshop on read across: role and guidance in chemical risk assessment | Brussels, Belgium

## Draft Programme

### Day 1 | Thursday, 27 March 2025

13:00-13:30	Registration	
SESSION 1   EXISTING GUIDANCE AND FRAMEWORKS, AND THE ROLE OF READ-ACROSS IN CHEMICAL RISK ASSESSMENT		
Chair: Susanne HOUGAARD BENNEKOU, EFSA Scientific Committee Chairperson		
13:30-13:40	Welcome and introduction to the event	Claudia RONCANCIO-PENA European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Susanne HOUGAARD BENNEKOU EFSA Scientific Committee Chairperson
13:40-14:00	Presentation 1. Introduction to read-across approach	Mark CRONIN Liverpool John Moores University (UK)
14:00-14:30	Presentation 2. Read-across application for food or feed ingredients	Sylvia ESCHER Fraunhofer Institute for Toxicology and Experimental Medicine (DE)
14:30-15:00	Presentation 3. OECD’s guidance on grouping of chemicals, with a focus on the read-across	Ester CARREGAL ROMERO Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
15:00-15:30	Presentation 4. ECHA’s activities and guidance related to grouping and read-across	George CARTLIDGE European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)
15:30-16:00	Coffee/Tea break	
16:00-16:30	Presentation 5. EFSA’s draft guidance on the use of read-across in food and feed safety assessment ( <a href="#">document opened for public consultation</a> )	Lucian FARCAL European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
16:30-17:20	Panel discussion and questions from participants	Chair of Session 1 and Panellists
17:20-17:30	Concluding remarks for Session 1	Susanne HOUGAARD BENNEKOU
17:30-18:30	Networking cocktail	

## Day 2 | Friday, 28 March 2025

SESSION 2   TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF THE READ-ACROSS APPROACH		
Chairperson: George CARTLIDGE, European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)		
09:00-09:15	<b>Introduction to the 2<sup>nd</sup> session of the workshop</b>	<b>George CARTLIDGE</b> European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)
09:15-10:45	<b>Break-out groups</b> (including intro on EFSA's guidance steps, read-across cases or examples, discussion on technical aspects on the application of read-across approach)	<b>Groups moderators</b>
10:45-11:15	<b>Coffee/Tea break</b>	
11:15-12:15	<b>Break-out groups (continuation)</b>	
12:15-12:45	<b>Summary of the break-out groups discussion and lesson learned</b>	<b>Groups rapporteurs</b>
12:45-13:00	<b>Concluding remarks and wrap-up of the workshop</b>	<b>George CARTLIDGE</b> and <b>Susanne HOUGAARD BENNEKOU</b>