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# Implementing Rule on the Decision of the Management Board of EFSA on the update of the list of competent organisations designated by the Members States which may assist the Authority

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Scope of document	
Decision of the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority on the update of the list of competent organisations designated by the Members States, which may assist the Authority.	
Description	
<p>According to the Article 36 of EFSA`s Founding Regulation, the Management Board shall draw up a list of competent organisations designated by the Member States which may assist EFSA with its mission.</p> <p>The Management Board, acting on proposal of the EFSA Executive Director, regularly updates the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority.</p>	
References	
Regulation (EC) No 178/2002, Commission Regulation (EC) No 2230/2004.	
Abbreviations	
See Decision	

## Document history

Plain technical changes to this document (e.g. reference or adaptation to a revised organizational structure; reference to new or modified regulatory documents; corrections not modifying the substance of the document; etc.) are summarized in the following table in chronological order.

**Any change in the substance of the document requires the adoption of a new document by the accountable body/entity superseding the document at stake.**

Revision No.	Date	Description of Changes
01	06/10/2022	Update of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority.
02	15/12/2022	Update of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB of 6 October 2022.
03	07/03/2023	Update (written procedure) of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB of 15 December 2022.



Revision No.	Date	Description of Changes
04	23/03/2023	Update of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB approval via written procedure of 7 March 2023.
05	22/06/2023	Update of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB of 23 March 2023.
06	04/09/2023	Update (written procedure) of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB of 22 June 2023.
07	14/12/2023	Update of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB approval via written procedure of 4 September 2023.
08	09/02/2024	Update (written procedure) of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB of 14 December 2023.
07	21/03/2024	Update of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB approval via written procedure of 9 February 2024.
09	02/09/2024	Update (written procedure) of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB of 21 March 2024.
10	12/12/2024	Update of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB approval via written procedure of 2 September 2024.
11	27/03/2025	Update of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB of 12 December 2024.
12	26/06/2025	Update of the list of competent organisations, designated by the Member States which may assist the Authority following the MB of 27 March 2025.



## UPDATE OF THE LIST OF COMPETENT ORGANISATIONS DESIGNATED BY MEMBER STATES

The Management Board of the European Food Safety,

Having regard to the Commission Regulation (EC) No 2230/2004 which foresees that the "Authority's Management Board, acting on a proposal from the Executive Director, shall draw up the list of competent organisations" (Art.2(2)) and that "the list shall be updated regularly, on the basis of proposals from the Authority's Executive Director, taking account of reviews or new designation proposals from the Member States" (Art.2(4)), and that the "Member States shall review the list of organisations they have designated regularly, and at least every three (3) years" (Art.1(3)).

Whereas:

(1) Organisations are "designated by the Member States on the basis of criteria" and EFSA has ensured that the organisations designated by the Member State comply with the set criteria.

(2) The List was initially drawn up by the Decision of the Management Board of 19 December 2006. The List is regularly reviewed by the Member States for new designation proposals, deletions and changes to organisations included in the List.



Has decided as follows:

## I. New and changed designations for the List

### New designations

The Permanent Representations to the EU of Belgium, Croatia, Estonia, Germany, Malta and Poland have officially notified EFSA of their **new** designation proposals for inclusion in the List, namely of the following **six** competent organisations, which may assist EFSA with its mission:

Belgium (1):

- **Experimental Poultry Centre**

Having the following specific fields of competences (referring to the details in the attached updated List):

NO.	ORGANISATION OFFICIAL NAME	ORGANISATION REMIT	FOOD AND FEED CHAIN COMPETENCES
12	EVAP Proefbedrijf Pluimveehouderij vzw	Research	Animal Health / Welfare

Croatia (1):

- **University of Zagreb Faculty of Agriculture**

Having the following specific fields of competences (referring to the details in the attached updated List):

NO.	ORGANISATION OFFICIAL NAME	ORGANISATION REMIT	FOOD AND FEED CHAIN COMPETENCES
46	Sveučilište u Zagrebu Agronomski fakultet	Research	Biological Hazards; Chemical Contaminants; Environmental Risk Assessment; Food Additives, Flavouring; Genetically Modified Organisms; Plant Health; Plant Protection Products / Residues; Products / Substances in animal feed



Estonia (1):

- **Tallinn University of Technology**

Having the following specific fields of competences (referring to the details in the attached updated List):

NO.	ORGANISATION OFFICIAL NAME	ORGANISATION REMIT	FOOD AND FEED CHAIN COMPETENCES
76	Tallinna Tehnikaülikool	Research	Biological Hazards; Chemical Contaminants; Food Additives, Flavouring; Genetically Modified Organisms; Nutrition, Dietetic products, Novel Food; Plant Health

Germany (1):

- **Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft**

Having the following specific fields of competences (referring to the details in the attached updated List):

NO.	ORGANISATION OFFICIAL NAME	ORGANISATION REMIT	FOOD AND FEED CHAIN COMPETENCES
108	Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft zur Förderung der angewandten Forschung e. V.	Risk Assessment; Regulatory Science; Research	Chemical Contaminants; Emerging Risks; Environmental Risk Assessment; Food Additives, Flavouring; Food Contact Materials, Enzymes; Genetically Modified Organisms; Nanotechnology; Nutrition, Dietetic products, Novel Food; Plant Health; Plant Protection Products / Residues; Products / Substances in animal feed

Malta (1):

- **University of Malta**

Having the following specific fields of competences (referring to the details in the attached updated List):

NO.	ORGANISATION OFFICIAL NAME	ORGANISATION REMIT	FOOD AND FEED CHAIN COMPETENCES
216	University of Malta	Risk Assessment; Risk Communication; Risk-Benefit Assessment; Regulatory Science; Research	Animal Health / Welfare; Biological Hazards; Chemical Contaminants; Emerging Risks; Environmental Risk Assessment; Food Additives, Flavouring; Food Contact Materials, Enzymes; Genetically Modified Organisms; Nanotechnology; Nutrition, Dietetic products, Novel Food; Plant Health; Plant Protection Products / Residues; Products / Substances in animal feed



Poland (1):

- **Institute of Plant Genetics, Polish Academy of Sciences**

Having the following specific fields of competences (referring to the details in the attached updated List):

NO.	ORGANISATION OFFICIAL NAME	ORGANISATION REMIT	FOOD AND FEED CHAIN COMPETENCES
242	Instytut Genetyki Roślin Polskiej Akademii Nauk	Research	Genetically Modified Organisms; Nanotechnology; Plant Health.

## Changes to designations

The Permanent Representations to the EU of Italy and Poland have officially notified EFSA of the **changes** to their designation proposals, namely of **eleven** included competent organisations:

Italy (7):

- Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale delle Venezie
- Sapienza University of Rome (Sapienza)
- University of Bari Aldo Moro (UNIBA)
- University of Parma (UNIPR)
- University of Turin
- Veterinary and Food Safety Institute Lazio and Toscana
- Veterinary Public Health Institute of Puglia and Basilicata

Poland (4):

- AGH University of Krakow (AGH University)
- National Institute of Public Health NIH – National Research Institute (NIPH NIH - NRI)
- National Veterinary Research Institute - State Research Institute (PIWet)
- Technical University of Lodz (TUL)

- reconfirming the organisations' designation for inclusion in the List with the **updated competences** within EFSA's remit (the details in the attached updated List).



## II. Technical updates

In addition, the Management Board is informed about **updates** of the technical information (not requiring new compliance assessment) of **20** earlier included organisations in the List, namely:

Denmark (2):

- Statens Serum Institut (SSI)
- University of Copenhagen (UCPH)

France (2):

- National Veterinary School of Toulouse
- Agricultural Research Centre for International Development (Cirad)

Ireland (2):

- Marine Institute (MI)
- University College Cork, National University of Ireland, Cork (UCC)

Italy (2):

- University of Modena and Reggio Emilia (UNIMORE)
- University of Perugia (UNIPG)

Poland (2):

- Institute of Plant Protection – National Research Institute (IPP - NRI)
- National Institute of Horticultural Research (InHort)

Portugal (1):

- InnovPlantProtect (InPP)

Romania (2):

- Dunarea de Jos University of Galati (UGAL)
- University of Life Sciences "King Michael I of Romania" from Timisoara (ULST)

Spain (7):

- Centre for Agro-Food Economics and Development (CREDA)
- ELIKA- Basque Foundation for Agrofood Safety
- Spanish Agency for Food Safety and Nutrition (AESAN)
- Universitat Politècnica de València (UPV)
- University Jaume I (UJI)
- University of Seville (US)
- University of Zaragoza (UNIZAR).





### III. Conclusion

The Management Board is presented for adoption the **updated List of Competent Organisations**.

The updated List will include in total **344** organisations designated by 29 countries (EU27, Iceland and Norway) upon the Management Board's adoption of this update, i.e. including **6 new** organisations designated by Belgium, Croatia, Estonia, Germany, Malta and Poland.

The List is published via EFSA's website<sup>1</sup>, automatically sourced from the Competent Organisations Database (with the details as presented below) and notified via the Official Journal of the European Union.

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<sup>1</sup> Available at: <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/partnersnetworks/scorg>.