

**SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON
CONTAMINANTS IN THE FOOD CHAIN**
156th Panel Plenary meeting



4 – 5 December 2025
9:00-17:30 / 9:00-17:30
AGENDA

Location: teleconference

Chair: Helle Katrine Knutsen

Day 1: 4 December

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| 1 | Welcome and Apologies for absence |
| 2 | Adoption of the agenda |
| 3 | Declarations of interest |
| 4 | Agreement of the minutes of the 155 th Panel plenary meeting held on 13-14 November 2025 |
| 5 | Report on written procedures |
| 6 | Scientific outputs submitted for discussion/endorsement |
| 6.1 | Draft Opinion on the update of the risk assessment of emerging and novel Brominated Flame Retardants (BFRs) in food EFSA-Q-2018-00436 |
| 6.2 | Draft Opinion on the health risks related to the presence of capsaicin in foods EFSA-Q-2025-00304 |
| 6.3 | Draft Opinion on the risks for animal and public health related to the presence of Alternaria toxins in feed and food EFSA-Q-2024-00285 |
| 6.4 | Draft Opinion on the risks to public health related to the presence of organophosphorus flame retardants in food and drinking water EFSA-Q-2025-00369 |

Day 2: 5 December

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| 6 | Continuation - Scientific outputs submitted for discussion/endorsement |
| 6.5 | Draft Opinion on the presence of plant lectins in food EFSA-Q-2024-00195 |
| 6.6 | Draft Opinion on the risks for animal and public health related to the presence of beauvericin and enniatins in feed and food, as regards beauvericin EFSA-Q-2025-00314 |
| 6.7 | Draft opinion on the risks for human health related to the presence of semicarbazide in food EFSA-Q-2024-00581 |
| 7 | Update on new mandates |
| 7.1 | Request for a scientific Opinion on the risks to public health related to the presence of organophosphorus flame retardants in food and drinking water EFSA-Q-2025-00369 |



- 7.2 **Request for an updated scientific opinion on the shucking of certain species of scallops contaminated with domoic acid with a view to the production of edible parts meeting the safety requirements foreseen in the Union legislation including new data from EU Members States [EFSA-Q-2025-00620](#)**
- 7.3 **Request for a statement on the findings presented in the 2024 report on the Toxicological Profile for Mercury issued by the US ATSDR [EFSA-Q-2025-00670](#)**
- 8 **Feedback from the Scientific Committee / Scientific Panel / EFSA/ EC**
- 8.1 **European Commission**
- 8.2 **Scientific Panel including their Working Groups**
- 8.3 **Scientific Committee**
- 8.4 **EFSA**
- 9 **AOB**