



STAKEHOLDER BUREAU: ITS ROLE AND MISSION

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THE STAKHOLDER BUREAU (SHB)

- **What:** a standing engagement platform established by an EFSA MB Decision (29 June 2022).
- **Who:** composed of one member representing each of EFSA Registered Stakeholders' category, nominated by the Registered SH themselves, together with alternates (one per each category) to substitute their respective member in case the latter cannot attend SHB meetings. Members and Alternates are nominated for a 3-year mandate. They can serve no more than two full mandates.
- **How:** a 2-hour online meeting, held twice a year and chaired by the ED, in presence of the Chair of EFSA's MB.



COMPOSITION: new members of the Stakeholder Bureau (SHB) – April 2026

Category	Member	Alternate
Business and Food Industry	Petra Kostolaniova (CropLife Europe)	Giuseppe Luca Capodiecici (FEDIAF)
Consumer Organisations	Davide Esposito (Safe Food Advocacy Europe)	Samuele Tonello (BEUC)
Farmers and Primary Producers	Oana Neagu (Copa Cogeca)	Stephen Lennon (Copa Cogeca)
Practitioners' Associations	Miroslava Piskorikova (AVC)	Rimma Ishimbaeva (AVC)
NGOs and Advocacy Groups	Angeliki Lysimachou (PAN EUROPE)	Tess Renahan (PETA)
Distributors and HORECA	Els Bedert (Eurocommerce)	Francisco Herrera (FoodServiceEurope)



THE ROLE OF THE STAKEHOLDER BUREAU

Article 6 on the Establishment and role of the Stakeholder Bureau

- *The Bureau shall act as **EFSA's advisory body on stakeholder engagement** and – upon EFSA's request - **recommend appropriate engagement initiatives** in the framework of EFSA's risk assessments, risk communications or on other specific topics.*
- *The Bureau shall also contribute to **the preparation of the Stakeholder Forum**.*
- *The Bureau shall provide **input to EFSA at a high level with regards to societal concerns** on issues in the Authority's remit.*
- *Members of the Bureau **shall act in the interests of the stakeholder category that they represent** rather than solely in the interests of the stakeholder organisation that they represent.*



[Decision of the Management Board of the EFSA on the criteria to register stakeholders and the mechanisms to engage with stakeholders](#)



YOUR ROLE AT THE STAKEHOLDER BUREAU

- **Prepare your participation** for the Stakeholder Bureau in due time **liaising with the stakeholder organisations from your category** in order to properly **represent the interest of all**.
- **Be attentive to EFSA's communications** on the **opportunities we offer for stakeholders to support in the dissemination** of them within your category.



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