



CLARIFICATION N°5

Call reference: EUBA-EFSA-2023-ENREL-01

Call title: Selection of hosting sites and fellows for EFSA's European Food Risk Assessment Fellowship (EU-FORA) Programme

Question 1: I would like to check if I fulfil the minimum 3 years' experience requirement to be eligible as a fellow. Is it OK to count my master's studies and employment experience (young researcher/PhD) together to fulfil the minimum 3 years' experience requirement?

Answer: In section 2.4.B.1.7 of the Call for Proposals ("Professional and operational capacity"), it is indicated that the fellow must have a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 15 years of experience in performing scientific work or tasks related to food safety (including risk assessment, risk communication and risk management aspects) before the starting date of the fellowship (i.e. by 01/09/2024).

This experience does not need to be paid/work experience but needs to include experience in performing food safety tasks, and not only following studies or lessons on food safety-related topics. Therefore, Master studies and subsequent dissertation can be considered as experience in performing these tasks (e.g. if lab work, research, etc. is performed and not only classroom/virtual lessons). This information must be clearly indicated (dates and tasks) in the CV to be submitted alongside the proposal.