




Survey of Employers of EFSA experts

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- Independent scientific advice
 - For EFSA, experts not to be nominated by Member States (except pesticides peer review)
 - 13 years of non-dialogue with experts' employers, the Advisory Forum members do not quite have this role
 - Yet, in reality they have an influence
 - Objectives: what are the conditions for (continued) support and potential improvements

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Survey content

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- I. Application to Panel membership**
 - Benefits and challenges
 - II. Start of Panel involvement**
 - Organisational involvement
 - III. Supporting and monitoring Panel involvement**
 - Costs and resources devoted to it
 - IV. Improving Panel participation and its efficiency**
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Preparation prior to survey launch

- **Development of the questionnaire**, with internal review.
- **Number of institutions by Member States.**
 - The number of institutions proportional for the number of experts
 - At least one institution is included per country.
- **Selection of institutions.**
 - In a particular country, preference has been given to those institutions with which a large number of experts are affiliated.
 - The other institutions in a country have been chosen such that all Panels are represented in a balanced manner.
 - For countries currently without any Panel members, the AF unit contacted the focal points from AF member and observer countries to suggest one institution.
- **Complete employer details**
 - Addresses for these institutions were provided by the Finance Unit
 - Focal Points will be contacted to provide complete contact details
- **Pre-mailing alert**
 - The Scientific Committee and The Advisory Forum at the September meetings
 - The Panel members of the concerned institutions
- **Test with 5 institutions**

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Survey conduct: Oct - Nov 2016

- Confirm participation and provide the contact details of the person in your organisation to liaise with on this;
- Go through the questions with your contact person by phone or email to address any queries you may have before you start collecting the information.
- The completed questionnaire to be returned by 15 November 2016.
- If there are sections or questions that you are not in a position to address, they can be marked as no information (NI) or not applicable (NA).

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Post-survey: Dec 2016 - Jan 2017

- The responses you provide will be anonymised in the report.
- The final report will be made public.

