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**Report to plenary on workshop outcomes**  
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# **Workshop 1**

## **Data Quality in Risk Assessment**

# STAKEHOLDERS' INPUT TO EFSA'S WORK

## Areas where EFSA needs to improve:

- «Data Outreach» - More collaboration with registered stakeholders in calls for data. Examples:
  - To take advantage of existing networks/channels of communication to reach their members.
  - Proactive work with stakeholder representatives to enable their constituents/members to provide data within deadlines
  - Provide guidance to data providers e.g. defining/adopting data standards
- Explore how to better communicate with applicants when requesting missing data.

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## Areas where EFSA does well:

- Early stakeholders involvement is great! (e.g. GMO allergenicity guidance). Early focus groups with stakeholders are more fruitful than late consultations.
- Comprehensive food consumption database; EFSA uses exposure data representative of the whole population.
- Matrix (Electronic submission of data) will provide data standardisation which is key for interoperability, reuse and scrutiny of the data.
- Continue initiatives like Prometheus and 'Weight of Evidence' guidance which allow to consider a wider spectrum of data, with their relative weight.