



State-of-play of Stakeholder Engagement, Quality of Data, Transparency and Usability of EFSA's outputs

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Context

- Stakeholder Engagement
- Quality of Data
- Transparency
- Usability of EFSA's Outputs

A photograph of the EFSA building, a modern multi-story structure with a mix of white and grey panels and large glass windows. A prominent cylindrical glass structure is part of its facade. The EFSA logo is visible on the lower left of the building. The building is set against a clear blue sky, and shadows of trees are cast on the paved ground in the foreground.

EFSA STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT APPROACH - PRINCIPLES

- Broader range of registered stakeholders;
- Diverse ways of interaction through permanent and targeted mechanisms;
- Balanced approach to representation of interests, perspectives and expertise;
- Equal opportunity to provide input to EFSA's work;
- Engagement from early stage of the risk assessment process.

PERMANENT AND TARGETED ENGAGEMENT MODELS

Permanent

- Stakeholder Forum
- Stakeholder Bureau



Targeted

- Discussion Groups
- Roundtables
- Communicators Lab
- Info sessions
- Framing of Questions



INTERIM EVALUATION – RECOMMENDATIONS BY EFSA MANAGEMENT BOARD

Recommendations cover

Categorisation of stakeholders

- Pay attention at the application stage to how stakeholders are assigned to categories.
- Allow stakeholders to nominate alternative representatives to act on their behalf.

Information to stakeholders

- Provide general and tailored information to stakeholders at the point of registration and in advance of meetings depending on their interests, particularly to those that are new to EFSA.
- Review how information about the SEA activities are presented on EFSA website.

Engagement mechanisms

- Explore ways to involve stakeholders in decisions about topics for targeted engagement.
- Consider expanding the Roundtable approach to include the Practitioners and Academia groups.
- Hold Bureau meetings on a 6-monthly basis instead of annually.

QUALITY OF DATA



High quality, fit-for-purpose scientific advice, open and transparent processes.



Improved the robustness, quality and transparency of its scientific assessments.



Scientific models used by EFSA over the last 15 years have been brought together in a new EFSA community: the Knowledge Junction/ PROMETHEUS Project.

TRANSPARENCY



TERA project - more than 30 measures have been implemented to make the entire risk assessment process more transparent, accessible and reproducible.



The independence policy - following the recommendations of the European Parliament and the civil society organisations.



Open plenary meetings - revised its public consultation guidelines, and extended public consultation to cover draft protocols and guidance documents .

USABILITY OF EFSA'S OUTPUTS - RISK COMMUNICATION IN PRACTICE

MULTIMEDIA

- Videos
- Interactive tools
- Infographics,
- Data visualisation

EFSA WEBSITE

- News,
- Topics
- Alerts,
- Newsletter
- Lay Summaries
- Factsheets
- Events

EFSA JOURNAL

- All EFSA scientific outputs

SOCIAL MEDIA

- Twitter,
- LinkedIn
- YouTube

SCIENTIFIC OUTREACH

- Science networks
- Infosessions
- Scientific Conferences
- Webinars



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