



ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**ADVISORY FORUM MEETING  
19 MAY 2006 IN VIENNA (AUSTRIA)  
AT AUSTRIA CENTRE VIENNA**

**DRAFT AGENDA**

**Start: 9.30, End: 16.00**

**Lunch: 13.00-14.00**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda  
(Doc AF 19.05.2006 – 1)**
- 2. Welcome and introduction by Mr. Peter Kranner, Federal Ministry for  
Health and Woman, Austria**
- 3. Minutes of the meeting 3 March in Prague and matters arising (Doc  
AF 19.05.2006 – 2)**
- 4. Update by Herman Koëter on progress at EFSA**
- 5. Introduction to the EFSA Management Plan 2007 (Doc AF 19.05.2006  
– 3a & b)**
- 6. Update on the progress of the Scientific Committee with regard to the  
work on the safety assessment of botanicals (Doc AF 19.05.2006 – 4)**
- 7. Discussion on the paper prepared by the INA-AF Working Group  
(Doc AF 19.05.2006 – 5)**
- 8. Discussion on the Extranet policy paper as prepared by EFSA (Doc  
AF 19.05.2006 – 6)**
- 9. Reporting back from the MB Away Day on the independent EFSA  
Evaluation report**

10. Exchange of views concerning a list of food consumption database managers prepared by EFSA (Doc AF 19.05.2006 – 7)
11. Exchange of views to provide EFSA names of exposure assessors (Doc AF 19.05.2006 – 8)
12. Presentation and discussion of EFSA's Risk Communication Strategy (Doc AF 19.05.2006 – 9)
13. Introduction to the outcome of the discussions in the Advisory Forum Working Group on Communication regarding communications on Avian Influenza in the EU
14. State of Play on the question from Germany regarding alternative tests for marine biotoxins (Doc AF 19.05.2006 – 10)
15. **STANDING MATTERS**
  - Report back from the Advisory Forum Communications Working Group on 26 April in Parma
  - Update and exchange of views from the Authority on matters currently under review in the Authority including those where there is current consumer concern
    - State of Play on Aspartame
      - [http://www.efsa.eu.int/science/afc/afc\\_opinions/1471\\_en.html](http://www.efsa.eu.int/science/afc/afc_opinions/1471_en.html)
      - [http://www.efsa.eu.int/press\\_room/press\\_release/1472\\_en.html](http://www.efsa.eu.int/press_room/press_release/1472_en.html)
    - Introduction to the public consultations on:
      - the microbiological testing, criteria and other objectives (BIOHAZ)  
[http://www.efsa.eu.int/science/biohaz/biohaz\\_consultations/1427\\_en.html](http://www.efsa.eu.int/science/biohaz/biohaz_consultations/1427_en.html)
      - the joint AFC/BIOHAZ draft guidance document on the submission of data for the evaluation of the safety and the efficacy of substances other than potable water intended to be used to decontaminate the surfaces of foods of animal origin  
[http://www.efsa.eu.int/science/biohaz/biohaz\\_consultations/1429\\_en.html](http://www.efsa.eu.int/science/biohaz/biohaz_consultations/1429_en.html)
    - Reporting back from the meeting of EFSA with MS on GMO's
    - Introduction to the meeting of EFSA with national food inspection services
  - Update and exchange of views on matters raised by the Member States on significant new and existing scientific issues under consideration at national level
    - The Netherlands; introduction to the report 'Our food, our health' (Doc AF 19.05.2006 – 11)
  - Emerging risks: exchange of information concerning emerging risks

- **Early warning concerning significant reports and studies to be published by the Authority or a Member State**

**16. Any Other Business**