



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**ADVISORY FORUM MEETING
29 SEPTEMBER 2006 IN BERNE (SWITZERLAND)
AT HOTEL BERNE**

DRAFT AGENDA

Start: 9.30, End: 16.00

Lunch: 13.00-14.00

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Welcome and introduction by Swiss' authorities
3. Adoption of the agenda and matters arising (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 1)
4. Minutes of the meeting 19th May in Vienna (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 2)
5. Introduction and Update on progress at EFSA
6. **EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON SCIENTIFIC COORDINATION AND NETWORKING WITH MEMBER STATES; DEVELOPING STRATEGY FOR FURTHER IMPROVEMENT**
 - Introduction (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 3 / MB 20.06.2006 – 4 ADOPTED, Management Board Conclusions of the external evaluation of EFSA and Recommendations arising from the report:
http://www.efsa.europa.eu/etc/medialib/efsa/mboard/122.Par.0014.File.dat/mb_recommendations_evaluation.pdf)
 - Previous and current scientific cooperation with Member States (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 4)
 - Background on the legal tools for funding scientific cooperation with Member States (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 5)
 - Discussion
7. *'Declaration of Intent'* concerning the Recommendations for the enhancement of the exchange of scientific information (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 6a & b)

LUNCH 13.00 – 14.00

8. **Introduction to the Declaration of Interest (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 7a, Guidance on Declarations of Interest http://www.efsa.europa.eu/etc/medialib/efsa/mboard/statutory_texts/internal_rules/409.Par.004.File.dat/declar_of_interestsmb161204-endorsed1.pdf & 7b, Declaration concerning Confidentiality)**
9. **Discussions on EFSA's draft Working Programme 2007 (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 8 / MB 29.03.2006 - 3)**
10. **Dates and possible venues of the AF meetings in 2007 (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 9)**
11. **UPDATE AND EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON MATTERS RAISED BY THE MEMBER STATES**
 - France, Afssa – Presentation on the certification process of the quality management of collective expertise
12. **UPDATE AND EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON MATTERS RAISED BY EFSA**
 - Update on actual scientific matters including those where there is currently consumer concern
 - Report back from the Advisory Forum Communications Working Group on 29 June in Parma
 - Introduction to and possible collaboration on EFSA PHARE projects for Croatia and Turkey
 - Report back from EFSA's 6th Colloquium on '*Risk-Benefit Analysis of Foods: Methods and Approaches*' and Introduction to the 7th Colloquium on '*Cumulative Risk Assessment of pesticides to human health: The way forward*', 28-29 Nov, Parma (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 10 & 11, http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/science/colloquium_series/risk_benefit_analys.html & http://www.efsa.europa.eu/etc/medialib/efsa/science/colloquium_series/no_7_risk_pesticides.Par.0001.File.dat/ses_announcement_colloquium7_en.pdf)
 - Conference on Nutrition and Health Claims on 8-10 November (Doc AF 29.09.2006 – 12, http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/science/conferences/nhc_conference.html)
13. **Any Other Business**