

## Management Board Meeting

11 September 2007

### CONSOLIDATED DECISION CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATIONS OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE AND PANELS

At its 19 June 2007 meeting, the Management Board addressed several organisational and financial measures in relation to the EFSA Scientific Committee, Scientific Panels and experts.

Some of these measures, such as the Decision related to the compensation for non-governmental experts in Scientific Cooperation and Assistance area (the same special indemnities as those for the Scientific Committee and panels apply), have been implemented by decision of the Executive Director with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2007.

Others, however, require amendments to the Decision concerning the establishment and operations of the Scientific Committee and Scientific Panels adopted by the Management Board in October 2002 and are suggested in the attached document.

In particular, it is suggested to amend the decision above in order

- to foresee a more detailed accelerated procedure to deal with different levels of emergency as adopted by the Scientific Committee in July 2007
- to update the decision to bring it into line with the new rules on Declarations of Interests
- to regroup the articles to ensure clearer reading

In order to better integrate the above amendments in the previous text, a new Decision concerning the establishment and operations of the Scientific Committee and Panels and replacing the former one is hereby submitted to the Management Board for endorsement. The annexes hereto present the changes between the original Decision from 2002, the consolidated Decision presented to the Management Board for endorsement and the correspondence between the two documents.

#### Annexes:

- 4.1 a - Decision concerning the establishment and operations of the Scientific Committee and Panels 11.09.07
- 4.1 b - Decision concerning the establishment and operations of the Scientific Committee and Panels 17.12.02
- 4.1 c - Correspondence between the two Decisions article per article, 11.09.07