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on the evaluation of Scientific Experts considered for the ANS and CEF Scientific Panels of the European Food Safety Authority

INTRODUCTION TO THE REPLACEMENT PROCEDURE

Following:

- (1) the nomination of members of ANS and CEF Scientific Panels and the establishment of the reserve list by EFSA's Management Board decision on 16 March 2011,
- (2) the two subsequent replacements procedures for the CEF Panel in June 2011 and February 2012,
- (3) the nomination of members of 8 Scientific Panels and of the Scientific Committee and the establishment of the reserve list for all Scientific Panels by EFSA's Management Board decision on 14 March 2012.
- (4) the resignation in 2012 of two ANS Panel members and of one CEF Panel member,

this note describes the procedure followed for the identification of experts in accordance with Article 28(5) of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 in order to increase the number of members of the ANS and CEF Scientific Panels.

The experts have been selected from the Reserve List approved by the Management Board on 13 June 2012 and recently replaced by the updated Reserve List in the Management Board Decision on the appointment of two experts in the Scientific Panel on Plant Protection Products and their Residues (mb 18 10 12 item 5 doc 3b).

This note also provides information on the selection of the proposed new members for the ANS and CEF Panel that are intended to strengthen the Panel in its work for the current term up to summer 2014.

Following the nomination of the ANS Panel for the 2011-2014 term by the Management Board at its meeting on 16 March 2011, there is the need for two new members in the areas of toxicology and chemistry. This is mainly due to the resignations of two Panel members in February and August 2012 respectively. The two nominations intend to strengthen the work of the ANS Panel during a critical time with high workload.

In addition, the nomination of the CEF Panel for the 2011-2014 term was expected to be followed by further appointments once the applications workflow on enzymes was better known and the needed fields of expertise could be better defined. Furthermore, one Panel member will resign as off 31st December, 2012. Thereafter, there is the need to nominate three new members for the CEF Panel in the areas of general toxicology, genotoxicity, metabolism and dietary exposure assessment. These nominations intend to strengthen the CEF Panel with its high workload starting from the 31st meeting, in January 2013.

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ANS SCIENTIFIC PANEL

For toxicology:

The first proposed candidate has high expertise in developmental toxicology, as well as toxicokinetics, which are areas of great importance for the Panel. She has also long standing experience in risk assessment at national and international level. In addition, she has vast teaching and research experience in areas of relevance to the ANS Panel.

For chemistry

The second proposed candidate has main expertise in the application of analytical chemistry to studies on toxicology, environmental monitoring and to risk assessment. He has also vast expertise in risk assessment of chemicals and in working in international and national committees.

The above-mentioned experts are proposed for appointment as ANS Panel members, due to their high level of knowledge in toxicology and chemistry, important to the ANS Panel. In addition, the experts have also long standing experience in risk assessment.

CEF SCIENTIFIC PANEL

For general toxicology and metabolism:

The first proposed candidate has experience in risk assessment of pesticides, contaminants, reproductive toxicants and bisphenol A. In addition, the expert has high expertise in metabolism, which is very important for the assessment of flavourings.

For genotoxicity:

The second proposed candidate is an expert in genotoxicity, a field of outmost importance to the CEF Panel. She performed risk assessment to evaluate the effects of exposure to carcinogenic and genotoxic agents. She recently published work on the micronucleus assay, which is one of the basic tests in both guidelines for flavourings and for Food Contact Materials of the CEF Panel.

For dietary exposure assessment:

The third proposed candidate's main area of expertise is environmental chemistry and toxicology, ecotoxicology, chemobiokinetics, study of chemical fate in the environment and development of predictive models and evaluation of exposure to chemicals. He has also a long standing experience in regulatory risk assessment at national and international level. This profile fits very well the ongoing mandates of the CEF Panel e.g. on food contact materials.

The three experts are proposed for appointment as CEF Panel members, due to their high level of knowledge in toxicology, genotoxicology and dietary exposure assessment, important to the CEF Panel. In addition, the experts have also long standing experience in risk assessment.

PROPOSAL

The Management Board is kindly requested to appoint the proposed candidates for the vacant posts in the ANS and CEF Panel.