



# ***PROGRESS REPORT***

## Highlights

- ❑ Mandate on the use of insects in food and feed
- ❑ Scientific Colloquium on Combined exposure to multiple chemicals
- ❑ Public consultation on 'Open EFSA' and 10 public consultations on guidance documents and opinions (e.g. acrylamide, DRV for selenium, chromium and folate)
- ❑ Electronic submission of applications





## Highlights

### Institutional relations

- Meetings with ENVI Chair and members of the Committee
- Meeting with the European Environment Agency

### Advisory Forum

- EFSA Scientific cooperation roadmap finalised
- Discussion on procedure re. Art. 30 (diverging scientific opinions)

### Stakeholders

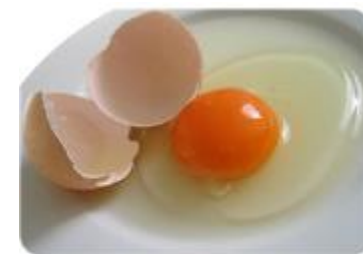
- Meetings with: BEUC, COPA-COGECA and 11 industrial federations

# Risk Assessment & Scientific Assistance

## Biological hazards and contaminants

Opinions on:

- ✓ Scrapie situation in sheep and goats
- ✓ Risks of eggs due to deterioration and pathogens
- ✓ Maintenance of the cold chain during storage and transport of meat (minced meat)
- ✓ Salmonella in melons and tomatoes and Norovirus in tomatoes
- ✓ Molecular typing methods for major food-borne microbiological hazards
- ✓ Beauvericin and enniatins in food and feed
- ✓ Perchlorate in food, in particular fruits and vegetables



Scientific report on distribution of infectivity of Atypical BSE

Technical reports on:

- ✓ Salmonella Enteritidis from eggs (jointly with ECDC);
- ✓ Salmonella Typhimurium with previously unseen MLVA pattern in the EU/EEA (jointly with ECDC)

## Evidence management

Reports on:

- ✓ Electronic transmission of chemical occurrence data from BG and PL
- ✓ Implementation of XML reporting from LT, SE and DK

# Risk Assessment & Scientific Assistance

## Animal health and plant health (AHAW and PLH)

Opinions on:

- ✓ Electrical requirements for waterbath stunning equipment
- ✓ 22 opinions on regulated harmful organisms



## Assessment and methodological support

- ✓ Scientific report on 'Baseline survey on the prevalence of Listeria monocytogenes in certain ready-to-eat foods'
- ✓ Technical report on 'An application for the estimation of the residue intake rate for certain bee species'
- ✓ Methodological and modelling support to FIP, BIOCONTAM and GMO
- ✓ Tracing of food items in connection to the multinational hepatitis A virus outbreak in Europe
- ✓ Guidance on Expert Knowledge Elicitation in Food and Feed Safety Risk Assessment





# Scientific Evaluation of Regulated Products

## Additives and products or substances used in animal feed (FEEDAP)

Opinions on:

- ✓ Evaluation of feed additives: technological (4), sensory (1), nutrition (4) and zootechnical (7). Among them, re-evaluation of 4 feed additives already in the market.

## Food ingredients and packaging (ANS and CEF)

- ✓ Opinions on food additives (2), food contact materials (4), flavouring substances (4) and enzymes (1)
- ✓ Statement of EFSA on an urgent request for scientific and technical advice on iron oxides

## Genetically modified organisms (GMO)

- ✓ Endorsement of Guidance document for the agronomic and phenotypic characterisation of GM plants
- ✓ Opinions on cotton MON 15985: food and feed uses, import and processing and renewal of authorisation for existing products

# Scientific Evaluation of Regulated Products

## Pesticides (PPR)

- ✓ Opinion on risk assessment for non-target terrestrial plants
- ✓ 15 pesticide peer review conclusions and 25 reasoned opinions on MRLs



## Nutrition (NDA)

Health claims: 10 related to Art 13.5 and 2 related to Art. 14

Opinion on :

- ✓ Dietary Reference Value for zinc, selenium, niacin and chromium
- ✓ Follow up formulae
- ✓ Health benefits of seafood (fish and shellfish)

# Science Strategy and Coordination

## Scientific Committee and Emerging Risks

- ✓ Opinion on the safety assessment of Carvone
- ✓ Guidance on the revised structure of EFSA's opinions and statements

## Advisory Forum and scientific cooperation

- ✓ Pre-Accession countries: Training on GMO for 28 experts.
- ✓ Participation of Pre-Accession experts in Advisory Forum and Focal Points meetings
- ✓ European Neighbourhood Programme: appointment of coordinators for all 15 countries





## Media coverage

**1300** articles  
**+18%** Q2 2014

**170** media queries  
**+6%** Q2 2014



Epatite A: frutti rossi,  
 Efsa "Oltre 1.400  
 segnalazioni in  
 Europa"



EU food agency says  
 acrylamide is a health  
 concern



Scientist fires EU  
 coffee warning ahead  
 of EFSA caffeine  
 publication



Url calls for  
 stakeholders to  
 engage with EFSA

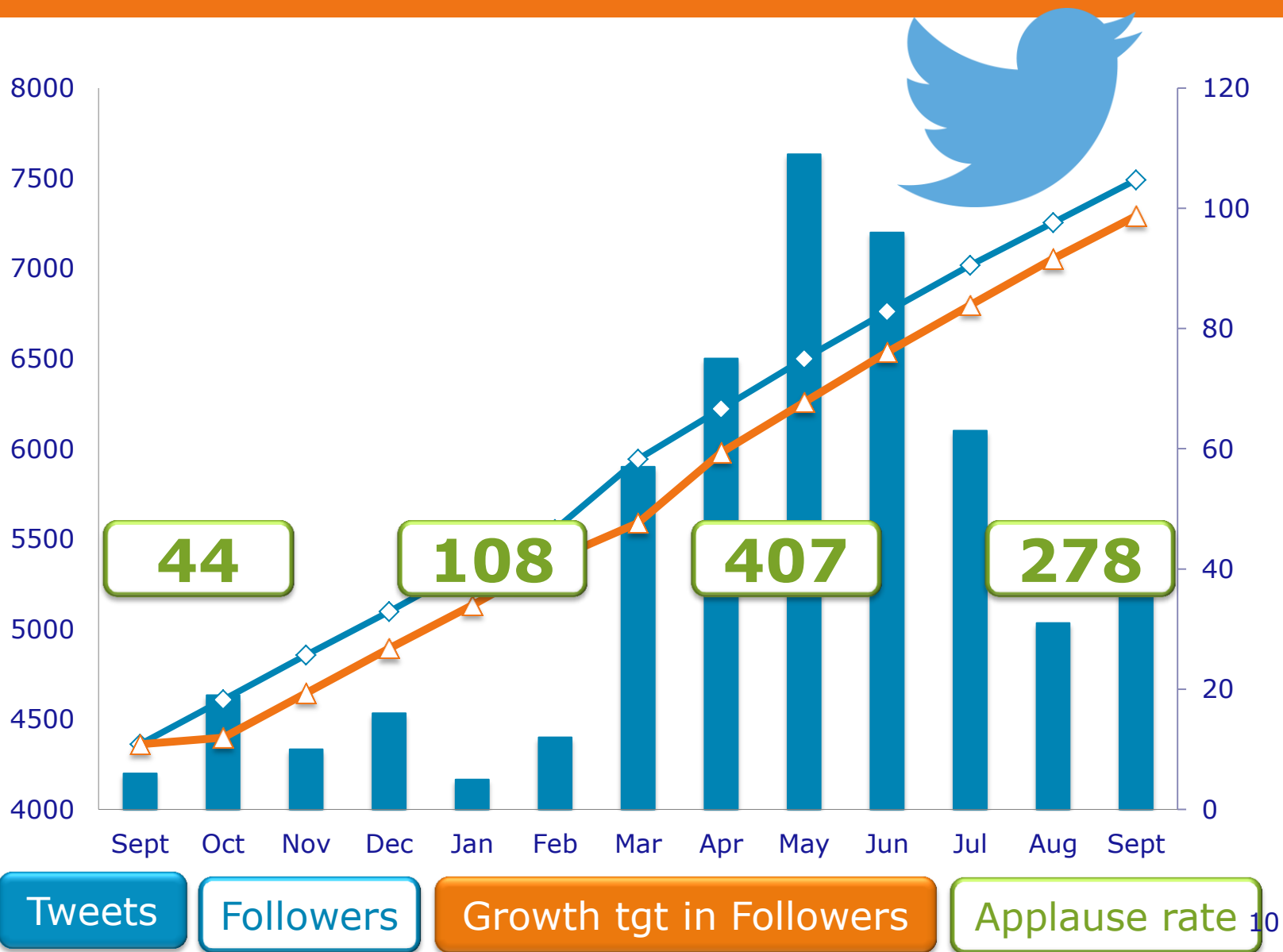
**Journal de l'environnement**

Publication intégrale des  
 premiers avis de l'Efsa  
 sur les enzymes  
 alimentaires



Efsa reveals plans  
 to improve risk  
 assessment  
 process

# Social media



# YouTube

# You Tube



Combating vector-borne diseases in Europe



EFSA Seminar @ ESOF 2014 - Science and safe...  
384 views 1 month ago



EFSA @ ESOF 2014  
392 views 1 month ago



Zoonoses animation  
252 views 3 months ago



ERA animation  
111 views 3 months ago



# MULTIMEDIA AND PUBLICATIONS

## Publications

5



*Discussion Paper "Open EFSA"*  
*Zoonoses factsheets:*  
*Salmonella, Campylobacter,*  
*E. coli, Antimicrobial*  
*Resistance*

## Infographics

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*Vector-borne diseases,*  
*Acrylamide,*  
*Contaminants in food &*  
*feed*

## Interactive scroller

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*EFSA's Scientific*  
*process*

## Institutional & International relations

- EFSA took over the scientific secretariat of the International Food Chemical Safety Liaison Group
- Meeting with EMA, ECDC, EEA and ECHA to coordinate meetings with the European Parliament and common activities
- Meetings with Italian national and local authorities
- EFSA welcomed delegations from:
  - Taiwanese Bureau of the Animal and Plant Inspection and Quarantine
  - Korean Food and Drug Administration, Korean Center for Diseases Control and Prevention and the Korean Fisheries Research & Development Institute
  - Indian Government food safety institutions
- Meeting of the Heads of Agencies in Brussels and Vienna





# Resources and progress indicators

## Budget execution

- ✓ 73.77% committed (on target)
- ✓ 56.80% paid (11% below the target)

## EFSA staff

- ✓ 453 posts occupied out of the available 474

## Progress indicators

- ✓ Activities on track and in line with the Annual Management Plan 2014
- ✓ 337 scientific outputs adopted (since 1st Jan.)
- ✓ 121 supporting publications produced (since 1st Jan.)
- ✓ Scientific cooperation: Commitments (-8%), payments (-32%)

