The Food Safety Almanac 2.0 - Edition 2020

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Food Safety Almanac Wiki 2020 – State of Play

2009 2011 2014 2017

1st version 3rd updated version

2nd updated version 4th updated version
ENP-Almanac CPLP-Almanac

April 2019 July 2019

Feasibility Study + Wiki Demoversion
by IT students of Freie Universität Berlin, Germany

Vision and Objectives

Development of Wiki Demoversion completed
Food Safety Almanac Wiki Demoversion – User view

Main Page

The World Food Safety Almanac gives an overview to the competent public institutions and the structures of food and feed safety within Europe and beyond. The framework is an online assessment. This overview of organisations and their cooperation not only facilitates the search for European partners. It also helps to avoid the duplication of work and to clarify issues. More...

More...
More...
Food Safety Almanac Wiki Demoversion – User view

Main Page
Food Safety Almanac Wiki Demoversion – User view

World Map
Food Safety Almanac Wiki Demoversion – User view

Country Profile - Germany

Regional and local levels

Germany consists of 16 federal states, with large individual differences with regard to the size of each state (between approximately 1 and 15 million inhabitants).

In addition to food safety, the activity of the BVL extends, amongst other things, to cosmetics and commodities which come into contact with food for human consumption.
Country Profile - Italy

This page is a translated version of the

Other languages: Deutsch • English • русский
Food Safety Almanac Wiki Demoversion – User view
Food Safety Almanac Wiki Demoversion – User view (Video)
Creating a new country profile
Translating and Creating Organigrams

In Germany the central legal foundation for food legislation is the Food and Feed Code (Lebensmittel- und Futtermittelgesetzbuch). Infringement of food regulations can lead to measures under criminal law and consumer damage claims under civil law. The final decision rests with the courts. Government measures with regard to food safety are often based on scientific risk assessment. However, the final decisions in the legality of governmental measures rest with the courts.

In Germany risk assessment and risk management are institutionally separated at federal level. At regional level, however, e.g. in the 16 federal states risk assessment and risk management are not institutionally separated. German food safety issues are not regulated at federal level. However, implementation and control at the regional level is the responsibility of the 16 federal states. Risk assessments are usually published on the internet. Uncertainties provide clear explanations on the internet.

Unions and subordinate public authorities in the 16 federal states

1. The Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture
Food Safety Almanac Edition 2020 - Fit for purpose?

What’s the purpose of this update regarding the content of Food Safety Almanac?

**Up-to-date overview of** Food Safety Structures in respective countries
- Comprehensive, but simple
- Impactful and complete graphic presentation
- Reduce text
- Conformity of profile structures and of texts with graphics

**Deliverable**
- Food Safety Almanac in printed form
- Wiki, World Food Safety Almanac

**Important!**
- Reduce as much as possible resource investment during the process

Key questions prior update
- More detailed?
- Definition of levels?
- Relations between institutions?
- Illustration of main roles (RA, RM, RC)

National level
- BMEL
- BfR
- BVL
  - FLI: Animal
  - JKI: Plant
  - MRI: Nutrition
  - FKE: Child nutrition
  - DGE: Nutrition
  - RKI: Health
  - UBA: Environment
  - BMG
  - BMUB

Federal state level

Ministries and subordinate public authorities in the 16 federal states
Simplified depiction of food safety authorities in Germany
Key questions prior update

- Conformity with text description in boxes?

1. Inclusion of institutions not included in Art.-36-List?

Institutions Involved in the EFSA network pursuant to Article 36 Reg. (EC) No. 178/2002

1. Risk Assessment Center (RAC) (EFSA Focal Point)
2. Food Research and Development Institute
3. National Center of Public Health and Analyses (NCP HA)
4. National Diagnostic and Research Veterinary Medical institute (NDRVMI)
5. Institute of Cryobiology and Food Technology (ICFT)
6. Agricultural University Plovdiv
7. Central Laboratory of Veterinary Control and Ecology
8. University of Food Technologies
9. The Stephan Angeloff Institute of Microbiology, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
10. Maritsa Vegetable Crops Research Institute
11. Trakia University
12. Joint Genomic Center to Sofia University
13. Institute of Biology and Immunology of Reproduction Asced. "Kiril Bratsev", BAS

1. Completeness of Pictograms illustrating responsibilities?

BfR
German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment

- Risk assessment
- Risk communication
- EFSA Focal Point
- Research

Seat: Berlin
http://www.bfrbund.de/en

BMEL
Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture

- Agricultural policy and food safety

The Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL) is responsible for agricultural policy and food safety. In the field of food safety the BMEL...

1. Fully description of responsibilities in food safety by pictograms?

How much text description is needed?

Icons / Responsibilities?
**Project plan 2019-2020**

- Template of country profile Germany for orientation?
- Preparation of Food Safety structures (MS profile)
- Compilation of information (by BfR)
- Second Review by MS
- Order print version of Almanac (by BfR)
- English country profiles in Wiki (by BfR+MS)
- Translation in local language through MS administrators (supported by BfR)

Timeline:
- 09/2019
- 11/2019
- 12/2019
- 01/2020
- 02/2020
- 03/2020
- 04/2020
- 10/2020
Thanks to...

Dr Nicole Gollnick
Dr Torsten Herold
Thank you for your attention

Julia Schoene
Country profiles – how to read the EU Almanac

Each country profile provides an overview of public institutions in the area of food and feed safety.

Diagram of national institutions: Each chapter starts with a simplified diagram depicting the organisational structures and hierarchies. The main institutions of each country are given as an acronym. The list of abbreviations (Chapter 6) contains the full names of all institutions listed in the Almanac (in English as well as the language of each country). Institutions at central/national level are illustrated in blue boxes, regional/local institutions in turquoise ones.

Legal foundation: Brief description of national legal foundations in the area of food and feed safety at the beginning of the chapter.

Institutions at central level (shown in blue boxes): Tasks and activities of each institution are described in a separate section for each institution. The blue box at the beginning of each section contains the acronym and the full name of the institution. The grey box below lists the main tasks in the area of food and feed safety, followed by the city in which the institution is based, and the website.

Responsibility: Ten pictograms are used to illustrate the areas of responsibility of each respective institution.

Regional and local level: Institutions on a regional and local level are described in a separate section. They are highlighted by turquoise coloured boxes.

EFSA network: Article 36 of Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 establishing the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) states that institutions operating in the fields within the EFSA remit are to form a network. Institutions that fall under this category are listed under the heading “Institutions involved in the EFSA network” and are marked by a yellow box.

The institutions involved in the EFSA Network pursuant to Article 36 Regulation (EC) No. 178/2002 are listed at the end of each country profile and are subject to changes. An up-to-date list of these institutions is available in the Internet at: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/assets/art36list.png
Background and structure of the EU Food Safety Almanac

Description of the food safety system...

- at European Union level
- of the 28 Member States of the European Union
- of associated states of Iceland, Norway and Switzerland
- of the European neighbouring countries (Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia and Turkey)

The EU Food Safety Almanac is available in seven languages: German, English, French, Portuguese, Spanish, Chinese and Russian.

Harmonized diagram structure for food safety authorities (example Germany)

Harmonized pictograms to illustrate the areas of responsibility of the institutions
Statistics of the digital version (EU Food Safety Almanac)

Click numbers of the digital EU Food Safety Almanac (on the German and English BfR website, April 2019)
Creation of a Wiki 2020

- Collaborative content management system as an addition to print version
- Concept for a global Food Safety Wiki designed to give experts and the general public easy access to up-to-date information on food safety structures and legislations in individual countries worldwide
- **Administrator for each single country is required**

**Advantages:**

- **Updates** occur irregularly and reflect **real time changes**
- Entry history preserved
- Very easily accessible / findable
- **Easier to link** other resources
- Layout is less unified, but more adaptable
- Open source and **permanent improvements at any time**
- Advanced search functions
- **more control** over content, layout etc. for countries
- Collaborative work effort
- **Lower costs** (less work time / resources)

**Disadvantages:**

- High efforts for BfR to develop a Wiki
- Permanent costs for BfR for keeping / maintaining and securing the server
- Difficult as a hand out
- No guaranty to maintain in several languages
Analysis of the print version

Advantages
• uniform, consistent, standardised and recognisable layout
• ideal hand out

Disadvantages
• updates occur on a regular schedule, but are not synchronised with real time changes
• not easily accessible / findable on the web
• not easily expandable
• high work load mainly in the BfR
• high costs (work time, translators, graphic designers, printing)
Wiki 2020 Demoversion – State of Play

3. Creating / Editing the country profile (administrator’s role):

- Same information required as in print version:
  
  - Description of the organisations (text)
  
  - Description of the main tasks (text)
  
  - Description of responsibilities (icons)
Wiki 2020 – first insights Demoversion

1. Wiki Homepage

2. Wiki Log in for administrators
Wiki 2020 – first insights Demoversion

4. Creation of dynamic organisation charts
Creation of a Wiki 2020

• What do you think about mentioned statements?

➢ An administrator for each single country is required

➢ Countries have more control over content, layout etc.

➢ Permanent improvements at any time are possible

➢ Which languages should be maintained?

➢ …
Thank you for your attention

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Background and structure of the EU Food Safety Almanac

Published since 2009
- by German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR)
- with EFSA Focal Points and EFSA

Provides overview of competent public institutions and structures and brief description of national legal foundations
- within and outside Europe / central, regional and local level
- organisational links
- emphasis on risk assessment

Clarifies responsibilities and helps avoid duplication of work, facilitates cooperation, search for partners

Intended for persons who work in the following institutions and fields: food safety agency staff, trade and general interest press, consumer associations, the food industry, science and politics.

Restricted to the subject of consumer protection as a legally protected area
History of the EU Food Safety Almanac

Initiation by BfR

1st version


2nd updated version

3rd updated version

4th updated version

ENP-Almanac

CPLP-Almanac

Translation:

Translation:
Creation of a Wiki 2020 – What’s next?

• April – July 2019: Conduction of a feasibility study and creation of a Wiki Demoversion by IT students of Freie Universität Berlin (example: profile of Germany in three languages)

• Presentation of the results: 3rd July 2019
The ENP-Almanac and CPLP-Almanac (2017)

**ENP Food Safety Almanac – European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP)**

- governs the EU’s relations with the EU’s closest Eastern and Southern neighbours
- the country profiles of ten ENP countries (Armenia, Belarus, Georgia, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Moldova, Morocco, Tunisia and Ukraine) are covered

**Food Safety Almanac of the Community of Portuguese Language Countries (CPLP)**

- the country profiles of nine CPLP countries (Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Equatorial Guinea, Mozambique, Portugal, São Tomé and Príncipe, East Timor) are covered

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Dr. M. Lahaniatis, 21.05.2019, 39th EFSA Focal Point meeting
Statistics of the digital version (ENP- and CPLP-Almanac)

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The ENP-Almanac and CPLP-Almanac (2017)

EU Food Safety Almanac

ENP Food Safety Almanac

Food Safety Almanac CPLP Countries
Anwendererzählung.
Nutzersicht

Der Benutzer sucht nach den Ansprechpartnern in Deutschland and speichert die gefundenen Informationen als pdf-Datei
Browsen
Suchen
Anwendererzählung.
Nutzersicht

Institution in einer bestimmten Stadt wählen
Länderprofil öffnen
Anwendererzählung.

Nutzersicht

Länderprofil öffnen
Organigramm ansehen
Den Partner finden
PDF-Export machen
Noch kein PDF-Export von mehreren Seiten
Anwendererzählung.

Nutzersicht

Nach dem bekannten Partner suchen

Damit solche Suche funktioniert, soll jede Institution eigene Seite haben
Anwendererzählung. Nutzersicht

Man muss die Seiten mit Subobjekten annotieren

```json
{{#subobject:HCB - High Council for Biotechnology
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  |Has Language id={{PAGELANGUAGE}}
  |Has Language Name={{#language: {{PAGELANGUAGE}} }}
  |Has Country Name={{NAMESPACE}}
  |Has Acronym=HCB
  |Has FullName=High Council for Biotechnology
  |Has SectionTitle=HCB - High Council for Biotechnology
  |Has Task=Risk communication;Risk management;+sep=
  |Has Seat=Paris
  |Has Website=http://www.hautconseildesbiotechnologies.fr/
  |Has Responsibility=Genetic engineering
  |@category=Institution
}}
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Interface nicht benutzerfreundlich
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Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety

The Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB) is responsible for the prevention of food safety risks caused by environmental contaminants, introduced into air, water or soil via human activity. The Federal Environmental Agency (UBA), the Federal Office for Nature Conservation (BfN) and the Federal Office for Radiation Protection (BfS) support the work of the BMUB as the competent specialist authorities in its portfolio. Effective environmental protection contributes to the production of healthy, largely uncontaminated food. The BfR and BVL, the competent specialist authorities in this area, support the BfM and BMUB in the field of food safety.

Federal Institute for Risk Assessment
Anwendererzählung.

Editorsicht

Der Editor will ein neues Länderprofil erstellen

Von Hand

Mit einem Formular

Übersetzung

Organigramm
Anwendererzählung. Editorsicht

Das gewünschte Land hat kein Länderprofil „Neues Länderprofil“ anklicken
Anwendererzählung.
Editorsicht

Den Namen für das neue Profil angeben
Wichtig! Damit dezentrale Rechtevergabe funktioniert, muss man Domain-Präfix benutzen
Germany:Germany
Man wählt das Formular mit entsprechender Anzahl von Institutionen
Man füllt das Formular aus
Anwendererzählung.
Editorsicht

Die Informationen hinzufügen
Eine Liste, um Aktivitäten und Verantwortlichkeiten nicht einzutippen, sondern auswählen zu können
Möglich, aber nicht erweiterbar
Keine grafischen Informationen
Icons müssen von Hand hinzugefügt werden
Anwendererzählung.
Editorsicht

Eine schon existierende Seite kann man in weitere Sprachen übersetzen
Voreinstellung: Deutsch und Russisch
Weitere Sprachen können mit „translate this page“ -> „translate to“ hinzugefügt werden
Übersetzungseinheiten werden mit <!--T:39--> markiert