



Welcome and introduction to EFSA

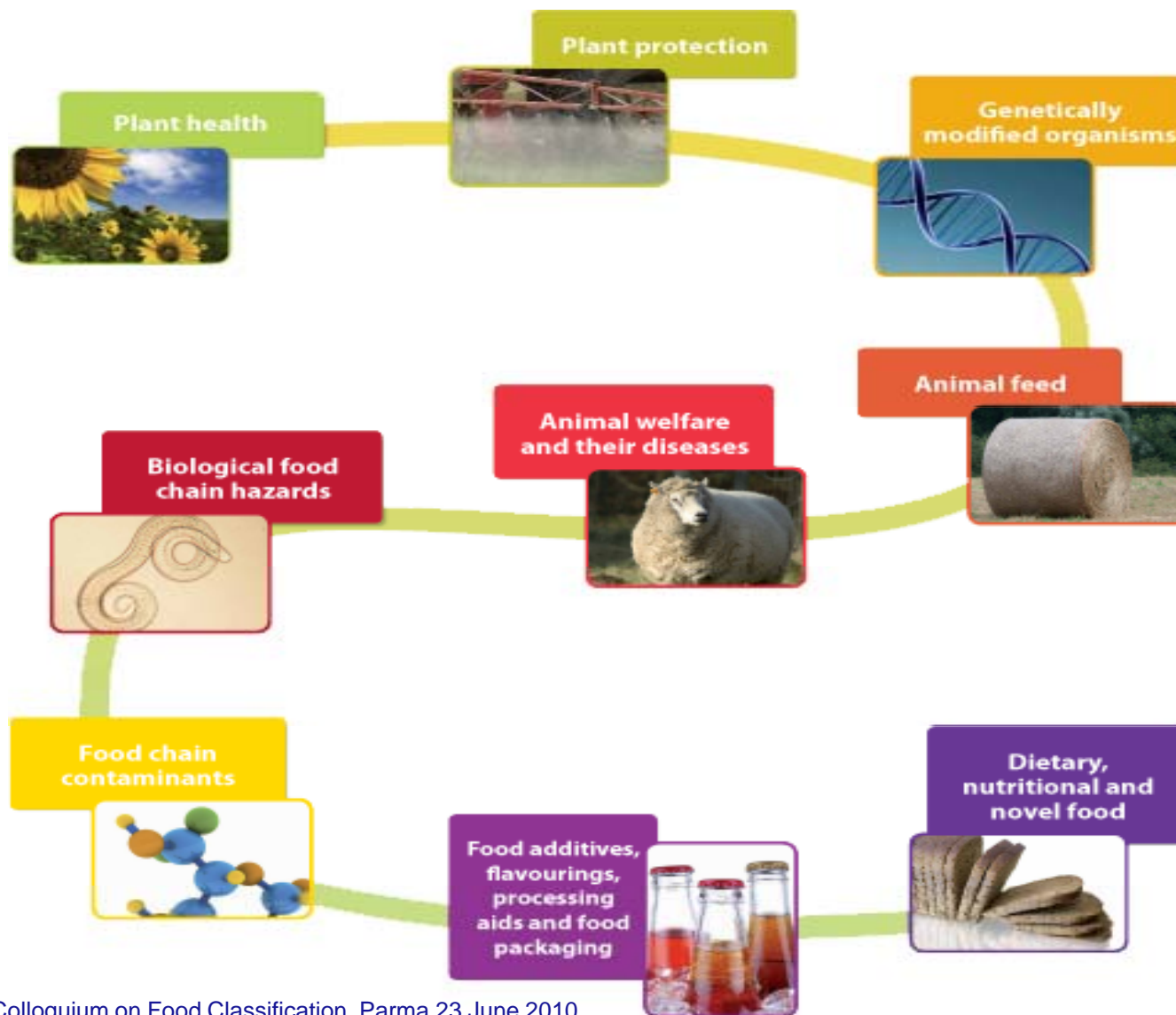
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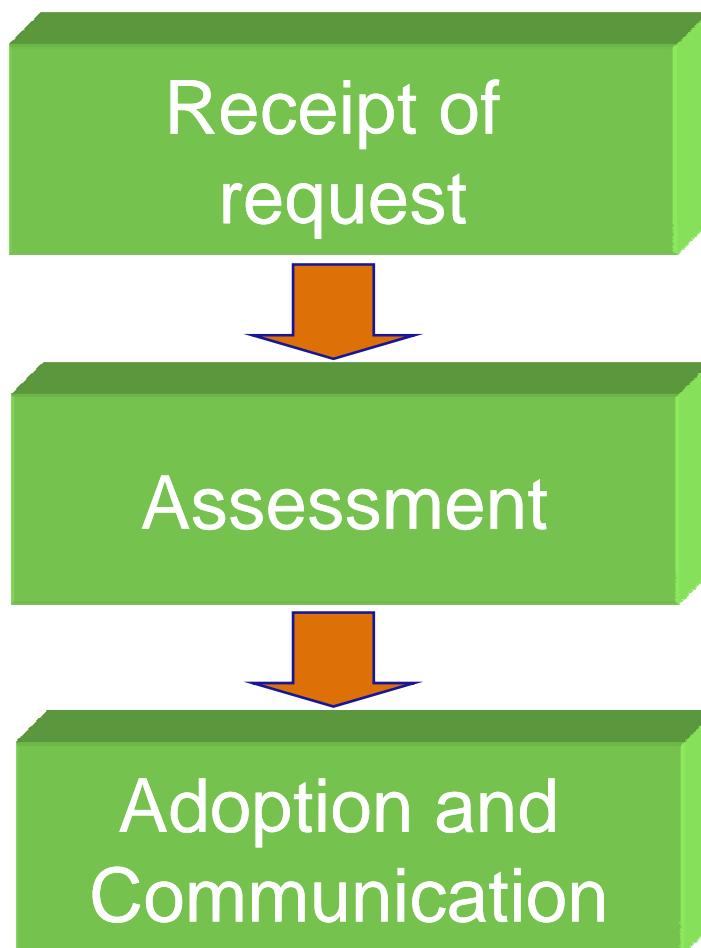
History and purpose

- Set up in 2002 following a series of food crises – Reg. (EC) 178/2002
- Independent source of scientific advice i.e. responsible for Risk Assessment and Risk Communication on risks associated to food chain
- Goal to be recognised as European reference body for risk assessment

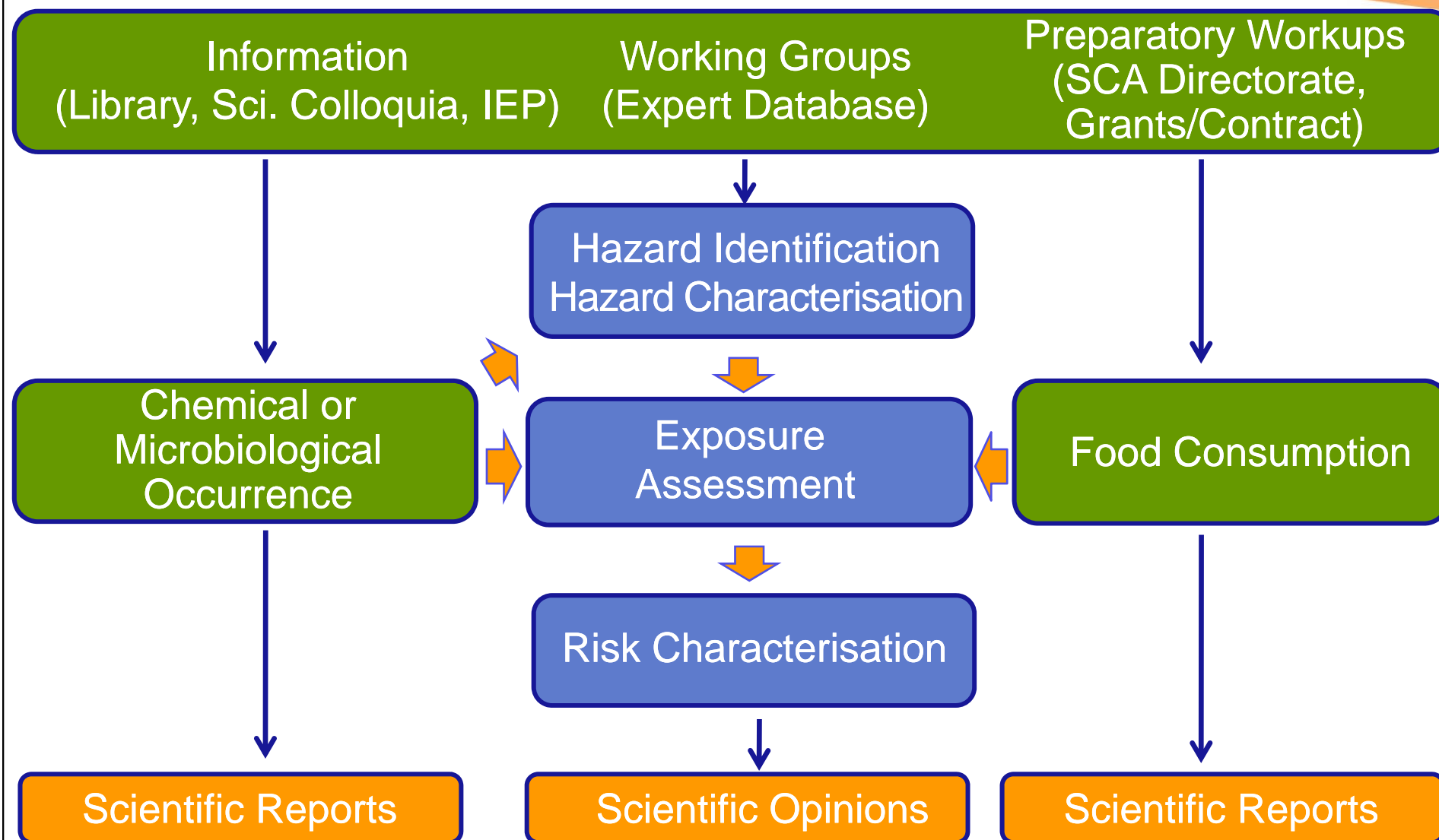
Scope: advice on food and feed safety



Workflow for scientific opinions



Workflow: Support



Scientific Committee and Panels

Mainly opinions on applications

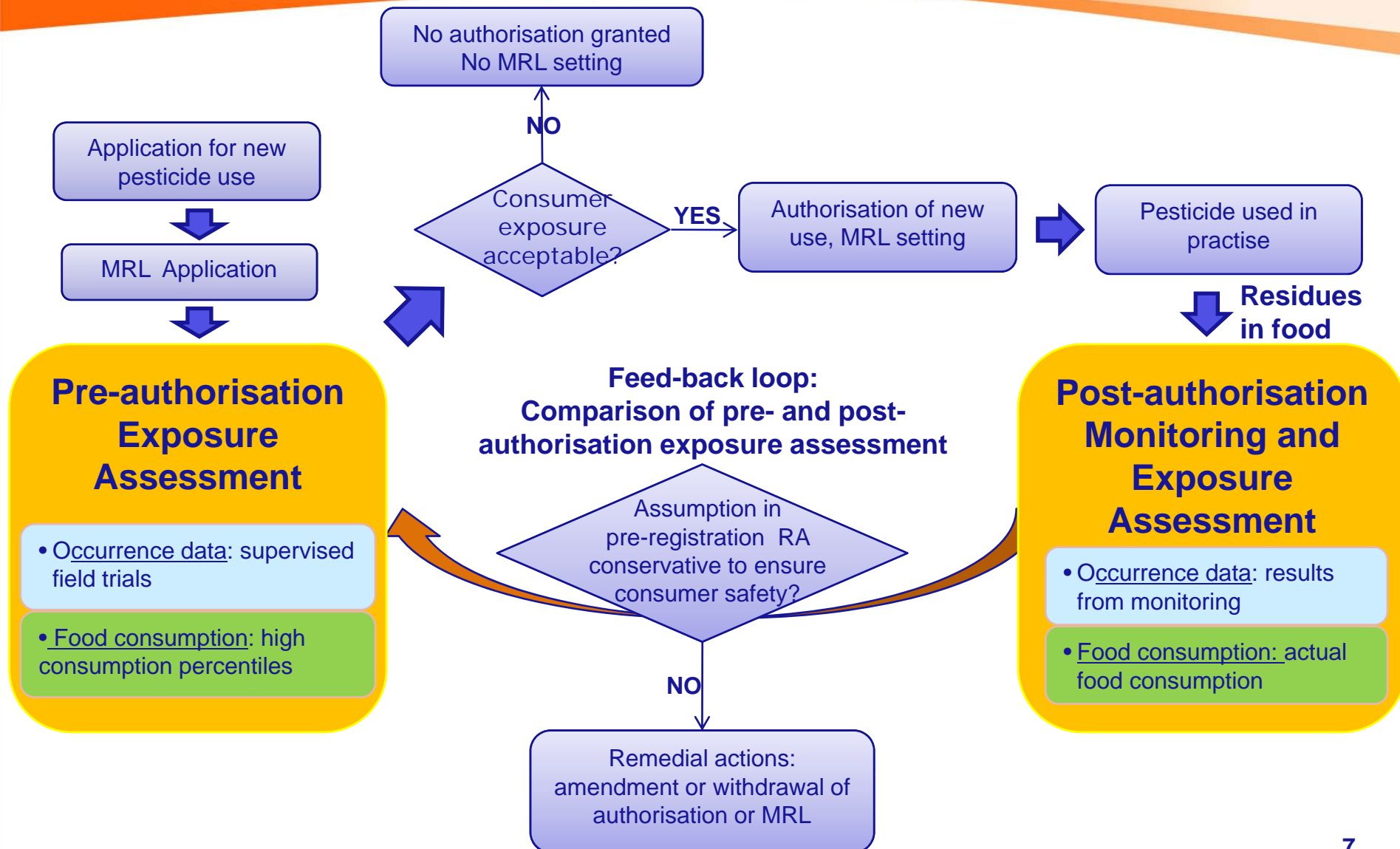
- Food additives and nutrient sources (ANS)
- Food contact materials, enzymes, flavourings (CEF)
- Feed additives (FEEDAP)
- Genetically modified organisms (GMO)
- Nutrition (NDA)

Mainly generic opinions

- Animal health and welfare (AHAW)
- **Biological hazards (BIOHAZ)**
- **Contaminants (CONTAM)**
- Plant health (PLH)
- Plant protection products (PPR)

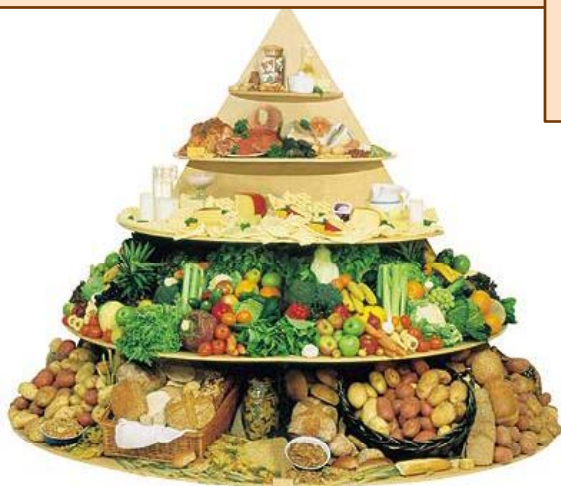


Scope: Characterisation and Monitoring of Risks



Food consumption databases

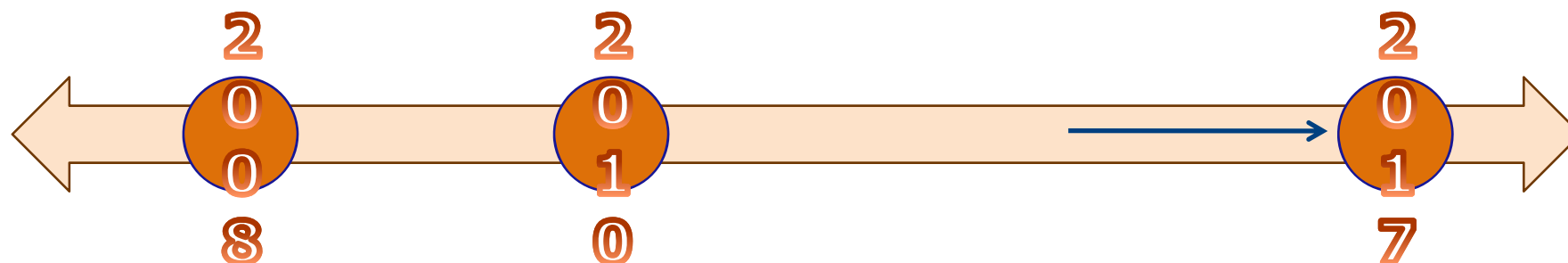
Broad categories, not covering children, not harmonised, no FFQ*



Detailed categories, partly covering children, not harmonised, no FFQ*



Detailed categories, covering children, harmonised including FFQ*



* Food Frequency Questionnaire

Further harmonisation activities

- **Guideline issued (Dec 2009)**
 - Sample selection
 - Survey tool
 - Recipe calculation
 - Food frequency
 - Data validation
 - Data interpolation
- **Working Group for Food Classification (end Sept 2011)**
- **Use of EPIC-soft software developed and tested through the DG SANCO funded EFCOSUM and EU funded EFCOVAL projects (2010-2011)**
- **Pilot study (2010-2012)**

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- Want to make a difference to EU food safety?
- Contribute to EU risk assessment?
- Value high profile networking with peers?
- Driven by excellence?

EFSA invites leading scientists to sign up to its new expert database.

EFSA is the European Union's scientific risk assessment body on food and feed safety, nutrition, animal health and welfare, plant health and protection.

EFSA, in cooperation with Member States, has decided to set up a database of external scientific experts able to assist its Scientific Committee, Scientific Panels, EFSA networks

and respective working groups. EFSA will draw on this database to find experts to help deliver high-quality, independent and timely scientific advice.

You can be part of that team of top scientists helping EFSA support Europe's decision makers in ensuring that Europe's food is safe.

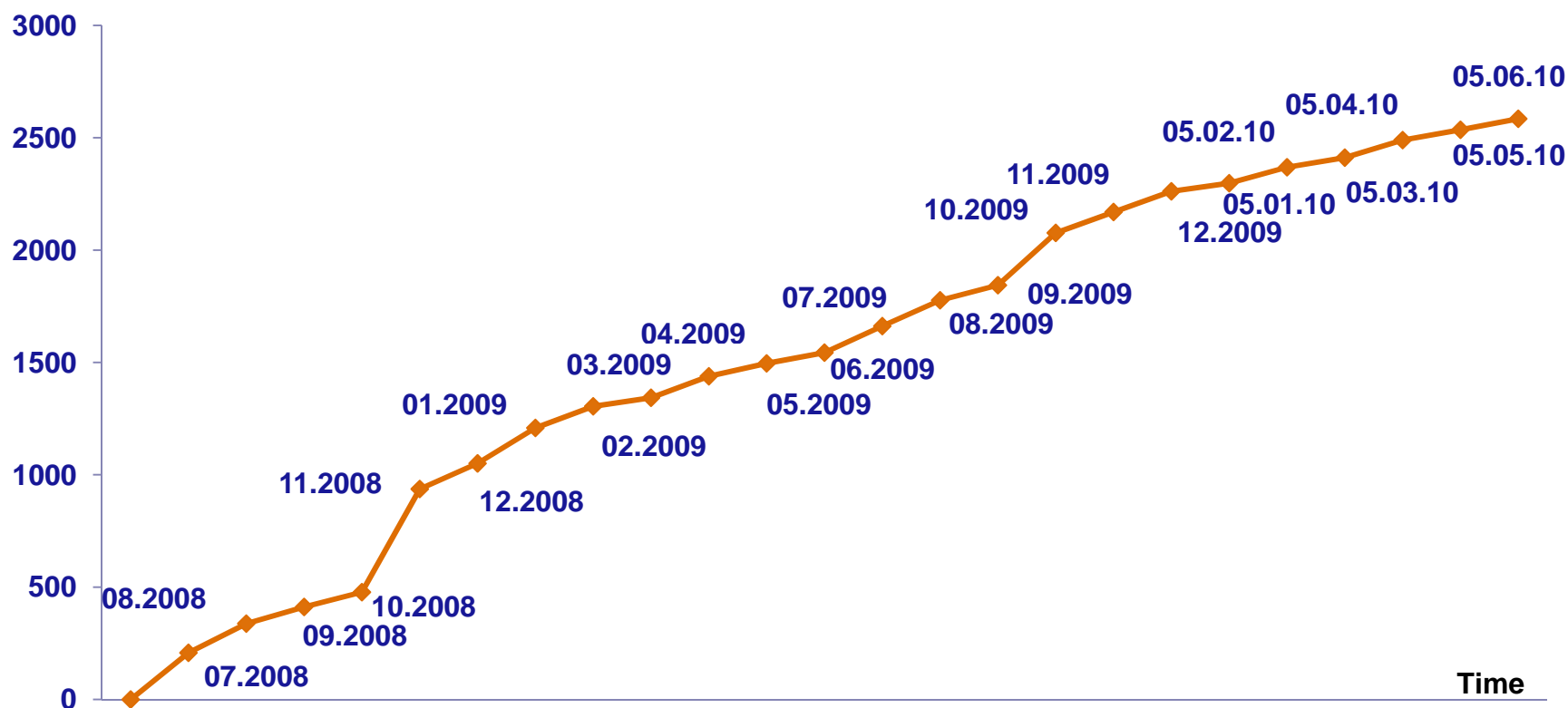
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Simply visit the EFSA website and fill in the form at www.efsa.europa.eu

EDB: current state-of-play

Application forms received as of 05/06/2010: 2585

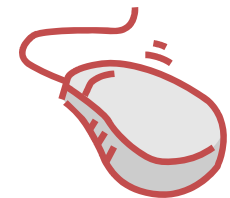
No. Applications



Be part of Europe's network of top food safety scientists

- EFSA seeks independent scientists from various disciplines to deliver **high-quality scientific advice** for Europe's risk managers
 - ANS/CEF: Appointed for **3 years, renewable** (beginning mid 2011)
 - All other Panels/Scientific Committee: Join EFSA's **reserve list** (may be called anytime)
- Selection through an open procedure based on proven scientific excellence
- Apply **online from 10 June till 15 Sept. 2010 to:**
 - => *Make a difference to European food safety*
 - => *Deliver scientific advice to Europe's risk managers*
 - => *Be considered for EFSA's Scientific Committee and Panels*

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Thank you for sharing your expertise, and
wishing you a fruitful and open debate

Grazie per la vostra attenzione!