

Note to the Management Board

Update on TERA project

Embracing societal demands and new technological opportunities, in 2014 EFSA launched a number of initiatives to further embed transparency and engagement into its scientific work.

In an initial phase, recommendations from EFSA's Stakeholders were gathered through a wide consultation. These were subsequently translated in 35 concrete measures applicable to the different steps of EFSA scientific assessment cycle.

Since the endorsement of the implementation plan in June 2016 by the Management Board, the measures have been progressively rolled out in the organisation. In June 2017, EFSA presented to the Board an update on the project progress, with a focus on the measures put in place in the last year.

One year from then, a new update is presented showing an achievement of above 80% of the transparency measures that are now deployed in EFSA scientific assessment process.

While work will continue until 2020 on the remaining measures (now embedded in specialised projects), new transparency demands are being addressed to EFSA via REFIT and the EC Regulation proposal '*Transparency and sustainability of the EU risk assessment in the food chain*'.

In view of the above and after 4 years of activities, EFSA is considering moving the TERA project in the *closing phase* and get prepared to respond to the new REFIT requirements through a TERA vers. 2.0.