

## The Pre-Accession Seminar on BSE and other TSEs Zagreb, 26-27 March 2008

### Agenda

#### Introduction:

Within the programme of this seminar the general work in EFSA on BSE, other TSEs and ABPs (Animal By-Products) will be presented. Scientific Officers of the EFSA's BIOHAZ Unit will present the future role of EFSA in the TSE area and its collaboration with the Member States. Representatives from the 3 Member States will inform the participants on their work and organization on BSE and other TSEs. Experiences from the Candidate Countries will be presented as well.

Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2008	
11.00 – 11.15	Welcome by the Croatian authorities
11.15 – 11.30	Welcome and short presentations of EFSA by <i>Goran Kumrić</i> , Policy Officer, External relations Unit, EFSA
11.30– 12.15	General work on BSE, other TSEs and ABPs by <i>Luis Vivas-Alegre</i> , Scientific Officer – BSE Team – Biological Hazards Unit, EFSA
12.15– 12.45	EFSA Principles in the Assessment of Alternative Processes for the treatment of ABPs by <i>Pietro Stella</i> , Scientific Officer – BSE Team – Biological Hazards Unit, EFSA
<b>12.45 – 14.15</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
14.15 – 15.00	Presentation on the work and organization on BSE and other TSEs in Ireland by <i>Dr. John Griffin</i> , Head of Veterinary Division responsible for TSEs and Animal By-Products, Department of Agriculture and Food, Ireland
15.00 – 15.45	Presentation on the work and organization on BSE and other TSEs in Belgium by <i>Dr Stefan Roels</i> , Head of the NRL for Veterinary TSE & Head of the Unit of Pathology Section - Department of Biocontrol, Veterinary and Agrochemical Research Centre VAR-CODA-CERVA
<b>15.45 – 16.00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>

16.00-16.45	Presentation on the work and organization on BSE and other TSEs in France by <i>Dr. Rozenn Saunier</i> , Unit for Biological Risk Evaluation, French Food Safety Agency, AFSSA
16.45-17.15	Questions and comments
<b>20.00</b>	<b>Dinner</b>

<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2008</b>	
09.30 - 10.00	Presentations on the work and organization on BSE and other TSEs in Turkey by <i>Dr. Şebnem Gürbüz</i> , Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Department of Animal Movement and Quarantine
10.00 – 10.30	Presentations on the work and organization on BSE and other TSEs in Macedonia by <i>Toni Kirandziski</i> , Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy, Veterinary Directorate, Department for Animal Health Protection
<b>10.30 – 10.45</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
10.45 - 11.15	Presentations on the work and organization on BSE and other TSEs in Croatia by <i>Sanja Šeparović</i> , Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development, Department for Veterinary Science
11.15 – 12.00	The future role of EFSA in the area of TSE in collaboration with member states taking account of the declining BSE epidemic in Europe by <i>Fulvio Barizzone</i> , Scientific Officer – BSE Team – Biological Hazards Unit, EFSA
12.00 – 12.20	General discussions and exchange of information.
12.20 – 12.40	Conclusions by <i>Fulvio Barizzone</i> , BSE Team – Biological Hazards Unit, EFSA
<b>12.45 – 14.15</b>	<b>Lunch</b>