

Legal and Policy Affairs Unit

**EFSA Pre-Accession Programme 2008
for Turkey, Croatia and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia**

**Seminar on
the EFSA Advisory Forum and Management Board**

24-25 April 2008, Izmir, Turkey

DRAFT AGENDA

Short introduction

Within the seminar the role of the Management Board in evolving of EFSA's strategy and future direction as well as assuring EFSA's independence from the political process will be presented. The Advisory Forum is the main formal interface between EFSA and the national authorities in the Member States and therefore this programme will give special consideration to the role of Member States in the Advisory Forum and the work of the AF working groups as well as information on the scientific networks and ongoing projects.

Thursday 24th April 2008	
14.30 – 14.45	Welcome by the Turkish authorities
14.45 – 15.30	Welcome and introduction on EFSA's Management Board <i>by prof. Bart Sangster</i> , Vice Chair of EFSA's Management Board
15.30 – 16.00	EFSA Advisory Forum - purpose, role and composition <i>by Gian Luca Bonduri</i> , Senior Assistant to the Advisory Forum, EFSA
16.00 – 16.30	Presentation of the Swedish view on the work of the Advisory Forum <i>by Leif Busk</i> , Swedish National Food Administration, Member of the EFSA's Advisory Forum
16.30 – 17.00	Coffee Break
17.00 – 17.30	Presentation of the Advisory Forum ESCO WG - fostering harmonised risk assessment - scientific cooperation between Member States in practice <i>by Gian Luca Bonduri</i> , Senior Assistant to the Advisory Forum, EFSA
17.30 – 18.00	Presentation of the Advisory Forum ESCO WG- cooperation between Member States: Folic Acid Case <i>by Leif Busk</i> , Swedish National Food Administration, Member of the EFSA's Advisory Forum
18.00-18.30	Questions and comments
20.00	Dinner

Friday 25th April 2008	
09.00 -09.30	Presentation of the work of the Advisory Forum Working group on IT by <i>Thierry Beniflah</i> , Head of Information Technology Unit, EFSA
09.30-10.00	Presentation of the Croatian Food Agency – Food safety system in Croatia and cooperation with the Member States by <i>Andrea Gross-Bošković</i> , Deputy Director, Croatian Food Agency
10.00-10.30	Presentation of the work of the Advisory Forum Working group on Communication by <i>Karen Talbot</i> , Communications Advisor in the Communications directorate executive office, EFSA
10.30 – 11.00	Macedonian viewpoint of the importance of the cooperation and networking with the EU Member States by <i>prof. Stanislava Lazarevska</i> , Director of the Food Directorate, Ministry of Health, EFSA Pre-Accession Programme National Coordinator
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee break
11.15 – 11.45	Food safety system in Turkey and the importance of the cooperation and networking with the EU Member States by <i>prof. Nevzat Artik</i> , Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Deputy Director, Directorate General of Protection and Control,
11.45 -12.00	General discussions and exchange of information.
12.00 – 12.15	Conclusions and Discussion by <i>prof. Bart Sangster</i> , Vice Chair of EFSA's Management Board
12.15 – 13.45	Lunch