



# 3<sup>rd</sup> External Evaluation of EFSA

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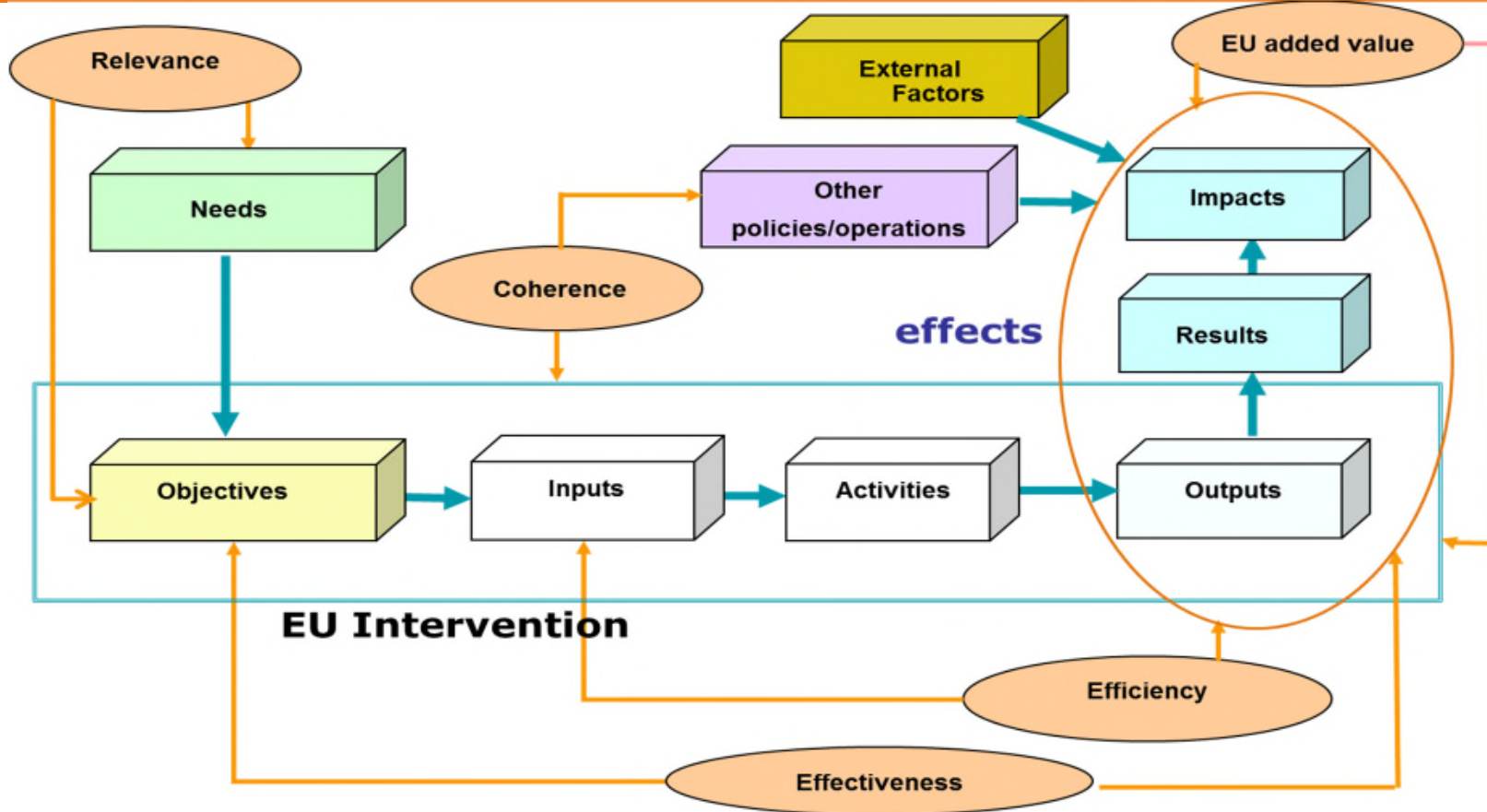
## BACKGROUND FOR THE EXTERNAL EVALUATION

- ❑ Takes place every 6 years as outlined in Art.61 of EFSA's Founding Regulation
- ❑ Should assess the working practices and the impact of EFSA
- ❑ Should take into account the views of the stakeholders (community and national level)
- ❑ MB will examine conclusions of evaluation and issue recommendations

## SCOPE OF THE EXTERNAL EVALUATION

- ❑ **Starting point is the second External Evaluation and the related recommendations of the EFSA Management Board**
- ❑ **Evaluation will cover six years period 2011-2016 and extend as appropriate to 2018**
- ❑ **Evaluation will cover**
  - ✓ **EFSA's working practices**
  - ✓ **Impact of EFSA's work**
  - ✓ **EFSA's cooperation and reputation**
  - ✓ **EFSA's governance structure**

# EVALUATION CRITERIA - EC INTERVENTION LOGIC



## EVALUATION QUESTIONS PER CRITERIA

### RELEVANCE

1. Do the original EFSA objectives still correspond to the current needs?
2. Are EFSA's organisational structure/working practices fit to meet current and future needs?

### EFFECTIVENESS

3. Have the general objectives of EFSA been achieved?
  - a) A sustainable scientific ecosystem
  - b) Citizens trust in the European food safety system
  - c) Harmonisation of assessment methodologies
4. What factors influenced what was achieved or not achieved?

## EVALUATION QUESTIONS PER CRITERIA

### EFFICIENCY

5. Is EFSA's governance model appropriate for ensuring its mission statement?
6. Are the internal mechanisms for programming, monitoring, reporting on and evaluating EFSA adequate?
7. How do established procedures, layers of hierarchy, division of work between units, etc. minimise administrative burden of EFSA and its stakeholders?

## EVALUATION QUESTIONS PER CRITERIA

- 8. Does EFSA undertake appropriate prioritisation of certain topics or tasks?**
- 9. Are the current practices for collecting scientific data and evidence adequate?**
- 10. How do the funds spent for EFSA compare to the results achieved?**
- 11. If funds are not proportionate, what factors influence any discrepancies?**

## EVALUATION QUESTIONS PER CRITERIA

### COHERENCE/COMPLEMENTARITY

- 12. Does EFSA's work contribute to the promotion of the EU food/feed safety standards on a global level and to the EU political priorities?**
- 13. Is the involvement of MS adequate for ensuring Member States' ownership of a harmonized European assessment outcome?**
- 14. To what extent is EFSA's work coherent with EU at international level (e.g. CODEX, OIE, IPPC)?**
- 15. Is there any overlap/complementarity/coherence with the work of other EU Agencies, notably EMA and ECHA?**



## EVALUATION QUESTIONS PER CRITERIA

### EU ADDED VALUE

- 16. What is the additional value resulting from EFSA's existence?**
- 17. Is EFSA recognised as a leading regulatory scientific authority?**
- 18. What would be the most likely consequences at the EU level of stopping EFSA?**

## METHODOLOGY – EVALUATION PHASES AND INDICATIVE TOOLS

### 1 - Inception

- Desk research
- Interviews with EFSA management

### 2 - Data collection

### 3 - Data analysis

- Desk research
- Group interviews
- Surveys
- **Case studies**

### 4 - Synthesis

- **Contractor's Experts Panels**
- SWOT
- Multi criteria analysis
- **Cost-Effectiveness analysis**

*Final Report*

## EXPERTISE REQUIRED FROM THE EVALUATION TEAM

**Cat I: 7 years experience in high level management of a RA/scientific organisations**

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**Cat II: 4 years experience in the application of the proposed methodology**

**Cat II: 4 years experience in the areas of food safety legislation and RA in the EFSA remit**

# TIMELINE

