



BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS AND CONTAMINANTS UNIT

SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS

MINUTES OF THE 2nd MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON APPLICATIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF USE OR DISPOSAL OF ANIMAL BY-PRODUCTS OR DERIVED PRODUCTS

WEB-conference, 14 December 2020

(Agreed on 22 December 2020)

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Avelino Alvarez Ordóñez (Chair)
Alessandra De Cesare
Marion Simmons
Pablo Fernández Escámez
John Spiropoulos
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Maria Francesca Iulietto, Angel Ortiz Pelaez.
- Others:
Not Applicable

¹ As defined in Article 15 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:
http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/expertselection.pdf

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. No apologies were received.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management³, EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Scientific topic for discussion

4.1. Application for new alternative biodiesel process for rendered fat of Cat 1 (EFSA-Q-2020-00450)⁴

The chair and the secretariat reviewed the level of completion of the actions agreed upon during the previous meeting. The chair and the WG reviewed each section of the last version of the draft opinion, including the contributions from the WG members and comments from the BIOHAZ Panel (received during the BIOHAZ Panel meeting, held on 09-10 December 2020, as web-conference). The WG decided to continue with the approach approved during the 1st WG meeting and key issues for in-depth review were identified. The chair led the discussion on the clarifications received by the applicant, requested without stopping the clock. Tasks were defined and allocated to the WG experts and EFSA staff and the timeline for the following WG meetings in 2021 was agreed.

5. Any Other Business

The Chair thanked the participants and closed the meeting.

6. Next meeting

The next WG meeting will be held on 12th January 2021 (3rd WG meeting), as a half-day web-conference.

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

³ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf

⁴ <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2020-00450>



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MINUTES OF THE 1ST MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON APPLICATIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE METHODS OF USE OR DISPOSAL OF ANIMAL BY-PRODUCTS OR DERIVED PRODUCTS

WEB-conference, 09 November 2020

(Agreed on 16 November 2020)

Participants

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Alessandra De Cesare
Marion Simmons
Pablo Fernández Escámez
John Spiropoulos
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Matjaz Klemencic (DG SANTE)
- EFSA:
BIOCONTAM Unit: Maria Francesca Iulietto, Angel Ortiz Pelaez.
TRANSFORMATION SERVICES (TS): Marco Conterbia, Francesca Lotito, both for point 5 of the agenda
- Others:
Not Applicable

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The background information, the mandate received from the Austrian Federal Ministry of Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection and the documentation submitted to EFSA were presented to the WG experts, followed by a short overview on EFSA BIOHAZ Panel previous assessments of applications on animal by-products. After the introductory presentations, the chair led the discussion on the mandate, the application and the approach to follow. The WG experts discussed the documents provided and agreed on the workplan. Tasks were defined and allocated to WG experts and EFSA staff and the timeline for the following WG meeting in 2020 was agreed.

5. Any Other Business

The Chair thanked the participants and closed the meeting.

6. Next meetings

The next WG meetings will be held on 14 December 2020 (2nd WG meeting) and on 12 January 2020 (3rd WG meeting), both as half-day web meetings.

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