



NUTRITION UNIT

MINUTES OF THE 17TH MEETING OF THE EFSA WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 06 March 2020, via web conference
(Agreed on 9 March 2020 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Pelaez, Henk van Loveren
EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission representatives:
Stella D'Amore, Panagiotis Daskaleros, Rafael Luis Perez Berbejal
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Valeriu Curtui, Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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.

¹ http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/policy_independence.pdf

² http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf



4. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

EFSA staff informed the WG Members that no new notifications on TF have been made available to EFSA through the European Commission e-submission portal since the last meeting.

5. Draft technical report on the notification on 'roasted sachu inchi seeds'. Applicant: 1) Promperu; 2) Agroindustrias Osho SAC; 3) Amazon Health Products SAC; 4) Comercio Alternativo de Productos No Tradicionales y Desarrollo para Latino América Perú - Candela; 5) Shanantina SAC (EFSA-Q-2019-00700)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. The draft Technical Report has been revised and it will be submitted to EFSA for approval. The Technical Report will be published on the EFSA website.

6. Any Other Business

The next meeting of the WG on TF will be convened upon receipt of a new TF notification by EFSA.



NUTRITION UNIT

MINUTES OF THE 16TH MEETING OF THE EFSA WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 12 February 2020, via web conference
(Agreed on 14 February 2020 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Karl-Heinz Engel, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Pelaez, Henk van Loveren
EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission representatives:
Rafael Luis Perez Berbejal
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants. Apologies were received by John Kearney.

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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.

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4. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

EFSA staff informed the WG Members that no new notifications on TF have been made available to EFSA through the European Commission e-submission portal since the last meeting.

5. Draft technical report on the notification on 'roasted sacha inchi seeds'. Applicant: 1) Promperu; 2) Agroindustrias Osho SAC; 3) Amazon Health Products SAC; 4) Comercio Alternativo de Productos No Tradicionales y Desarrollo para Latino América Perú - Candela; 5) Shanantina SAC (EFSA-Q-2019-00700)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the WG meeting on 06 March 2020 for further discussion.

6. Any Other Business

The next meeting of the WG on TF will be held on 06 March 2020 via web conference.



NUTRITION UNIT

MINUTES OF THE 15TH MEETING OF THE EFSA WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 7 January 2020, via web conference
(Agreed on 9 January 2020 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Pelaez, Henk van Loveren
EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission representatives:
Panagiotis Daskaleros
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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.

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4. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

EFSA staff informed the WG Members that no new notifications on TF have been made available to EFSA through the European Commission e-submission portal since the last meeting.

5. Draft technical report on the notification on 'herbal infusion made from coffee leaves'. Applicant: AM Breweries (DK) (EFSA-Q-2019-00594)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. The draft Technical Report has been revised and it will be submitted to EFSA for approval. The Technical Report will be published on the EFSA website.

6. Draft technical report on the notification on 'roasted sachu inchi seeds'. Applicant: 1) Promperu; 2) Agroindustrias Osho SAC; 3) Amazon Health Products SAC; 4) Comercio Alternativo de Productos No Tradicionales y Desarrollo para Latino América Perú - Candela; 5) Shanantina SAC (EFSA-Q-2019-00700)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the WG meeting on 12 February 2020 for further discussion.

7. Any Other Business

The next meeting of the WG on TF will be held on 12 February 2020 via web conference.

MINUTES OF THE 14TH MEETING OF THE EFSA WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 5 December 2019, via web conference
(Agreed on 6 December 2019 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Pelaez, Henk van Loveren
EFSA staff: Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission representatives:
Panagiotis Daskaleros
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Bernard Bottex.

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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

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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. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

EFSA staff informed the WG Members that no new notifications on TF have been made available to EFSA through the European Commission e-submission portal since the last meeting.

5. Draft technical report on the notification on 'herbal infusion made from coffee leaves'. Applicant: AM Breweries (DK) (EFSA-Q-2019-00594)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the WG meeting on 7 January 2020 for further discussion.

6. Draft technical report on the notification on 'roasted sachu inchi seeds'. Applicant: 1) Promperu; 2) Agroindustrias Osho SAC; 3) Amazon Health Products SAC; 4) Comercio Alternativo de Productos No Tradicionales y Desarrollo para Latino América Perú - Candela; 5) Shanantina SAC (EFSA-Q-2019-00700)

The discussion of this Technical Report was postponed to the WG meeting on 7 January.

7. Any Other Business

EFSA staff provided feedback on the meeting of the EFSA Network on Novel Foods, in which the assessment of TF was discussed.

The next meeting of the WG on TF will be held on 7 January 2020 via web conference.

MINUTES OF THE 13TH MEETING OF THE EFSA WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 6 November 2019, in Parma
(Agreed on 7 November 2019 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
John Kearney¹, Alexandre Maciuk¹, Carmen Pelaez, Karl-Heinz Engel¹, Henk van Loveren
EFSA staff: Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission representatives:
Not Applicable
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Bernard Bottex.

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

¹ Participated via web conference.

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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. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

EFSA staff informed the WG Members that no new notifications on TF have been made available to EFSA through the European Commission e-submission portal since the last meeting.

5. Draft technical report on the notification on 'herbal infusion made from coffee leaves'. Applicant: AM Breweries (DK) (EFSA-Q-2019-00594)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the WG meeting on 5 December 2019 for further discussion.

6. Conclusion of the assessment of the notification on 'cocoa pulp (*Theobroma cacao* L.)' as TF. Applicant: CABOSSE Naturals NV (BE) (EFSA-Q-2019-00395)

EFSA informed the WG on the conclusion of the Member States' assessment of this TF notification.

7. Any Other Business

A meeting of the EFSA Scientific Network on Novel Foods and Traditional Foods from Third Countries will be held on 14 November 2019 in EFSA.

The next meeting of the WG on Traditional Foods from Third Countries will be held on 5 December 2019.

MINUTES OF THE 12TH MEETING OF THE EFSA WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 09 October 2019, web conference
(Agreed on 10 October 2019 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Pelaez.
EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission representatives:
Ivona Babic and Takis Daskaleros
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Karl-Heinz Engel and Henk Van Loveren.

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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.

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4. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

EFSA staff updated the WG Members on a new notification on TF which has been submitted to EFSA since the last meeting: notification on 'herbal infusion made from coffee leaves' as TF (**EFSA-Q-2019-00594**).

5. Draft technical report on the notification on 'cocoa pulp (*Theobroma cacao L.*)' as TF. Applicant: CABOSSE Naturals NV (BE) (EFSA-Q-2019-00395)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. The draft Technical Report has been revised and it will be submitted to EFSA for approval. The Technical Report will be published on the EFSA website.

6. Draft technical report on the notification on 'herbal infusion made from coffee leaves' as TF. Applicant: AM Breweries Naturals NV (BE) (EFSA-Q-2019-00594)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the WG meeting on 6 November 2019 for further discussion.

7. Any Other Business

The next meeting of the WG on Traditional Foods from Third Countries will be held on 6 November 2019 in Parma.

MINUTES OF THE 11TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 10 September 2019, web conference
(Agreed on 12 September 2019 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Hendrik van Loveren
EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla
- Hearing Experts:
Not Applicable
- European Commission representatives:
Rafael Luis Perez Berbejal
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.
Apologies were received from Carmen Peláez.

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 Independence¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management², 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.

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4. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

No new notifications on TF have been made available to EFSA through the European Commission e-submission portal since the last meeting of the WG on TF.

5. Draft technical report on the notification on Cocoa Pulp (*Theobroma cacao L.*) as TF. Applicant: Nestec York Ltd (UK) (EFSA-Q-2019-00345)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. The draft Technical Report has been revised and it will be submitted to EFSA for approval. The Technical Report will be published on the EFSA website.

6. Draft technical report on the notification on Cocoa Pulp (*Theobroma cacao L.*) as TF. Applicant: CABOSSE Naturals NV (BE) (EFSA-Q-2019-00395)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the WG meeting on 9 October 2019 for further discussion.

7. Any Other Business

The next meeting of the WG on Traditional Foods from Third Countries will be held on 9 October 2019, web-conference.

MINUTES OF THE 10TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 17 July 2019, web conference
(Agreed on 19 July 2019 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Peláez
EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission:
Rafael Perez- Berbejal
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Valeriu Curtui, Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Henk Van Loveren.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

No new notifications on TF have been made available to EFSA through the European Commission e-submission portal since the last meeting of the WG on TF.

5. Draft technical report on Maqui berries (*Aristotelia chilensis*) as TF. Applicant: South Am Freeze Dry S.A. (Chile) (EFSA-Q-2019-00203)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. The draft Technical Report has been revised and it will be submitted to EFSA for approval. The Technical Report will be published on the EFSA website.

6. Notification on Cocoa Pulp (*Theobroma cacao* L.) as TF.

Applicant: Nestec York Ltd (UK) (EFSA-Q-2019-00345)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the WG meeting on 10 September 2019 for further discussion.

7. Notification on Cocoa Pulp (*Theobroma cacao* L.) as TF. Applicant: CABOSSE Naturals NV (BE) (EFSA-Q-2019-00395)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the WG meeting on 10 September 2019 for further discussion.

8. Any Other Business

The next meeting will be held on 10 September 2019, web conference.

MINUTES OF THE 9TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 05 July 2019, web conference
(Agreed on 08 July 2019 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Peláez, Hendrik van Loveren
EFSA staff: Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
None

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.
Apologies were received from Bernard Bottex.

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.

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4. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

No new notifications on TF have been made available to EFSA through the European Commission e-submission portal since the last meeting of the WG on TF.

5. Notification on Maqui berries (*Aristotelia chilensis*) as traditional food as TF (EFSA-Q-2019-00203)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion.

6. Any Other Business

The next meeting will be held on 17 July 2019, web conference.

MINUTES OF THE 8TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 27 June 2019, web conference
(Agreed on 28 June 2019 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
John Kearney and Hendrik van Loveren.
EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla.
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
None

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

Apologies were received from Karl-Heinz Engel, Alexandre Maciuk and Carmen Peláez.

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.

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



4. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from third countries (TF)

EFSA staff updated the WG Members on a new notification on TF which was made available to EFSA through the European Commission e-submission portal (NF 2019/1014) since the last meeting: notification on 'Cocoa fruit pulp (*Theobroma cacao* L.)' as TF (EFSA-Q-2019-00395).

5. Notification on 'Moringa Stenopetala as traditional food as TF (EFSA-Q-2019-00128)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. The draft Technical Report has been revised and it will be submitted to EFSA for approval. The Technical Report will be published on the EFSA website.

6. Notification on 'Cocoa pulp (*Theobroma cacao* L.)' as TF. Applicant: Nestec York Ltd (UK) (EFSA-Q-2019-00345)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the WG meeting on 17 July for further discussion.

7. Any Other Business

The next meeting will be held on 05 July, web conference.

MINUTES OF THE 7TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 12 June 2019, web conference
(Agreed on 14 June 2019 by written procedure)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Peláez.
EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla.
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:
Rafael Luis Perez Berbejal
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.
Apologies were received from Hendrik van Loveren.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from third countries (TF)

EFSA staff updated the WG Members on a new notification on TF which has been submitted to EFSA since the last meeting: notification on 'Cocoa pulp' as TF (**EFSA-Q-2019-00345**).

5. Notification on 'Maqui berries (*Aristotelia chilensis*)' as TF. Applicant: South Am Freeze Dry S.A. (Chile) (EFSA-Q-2019-00203)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion

6. Any Other Business

The next meeting will be held on 27 June, web conference.

MINUTES OF THE 6TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 16 May 2019, Parma
(Agreed on 20 May 2019)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:
John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Peláez, Hendrik van Loveren.
EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla.
- Hearing Experts¹:
Not Applicable
- European Commission representatives:
None
- EFSA:
Nutrition Unit: Eirini Kouloura

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.
Apologies were received from Karl-Heinz Engel

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

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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. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

No new notifications on TF have been submitted to EFSA since the last meeting of the WG on TF.

5. Draft Technical Report on leaf powder of *Moringa stenopetala* as TF. Applicant: Laura Manzano Outeiral (EFSA-Q-2019-00128)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion.

6. Draft Technical Report on Maqui (*Aristotelia chilensis*) berries as TF. Applicant: South Am Freeze Dry S.A. (EFSA-Q-2019-00203)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion.

7. Any Other Business

The next meeting will be held on 12 June 2019, web conference.

MINUTES OF THE 5TH MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON TRADITIONAL FOODS FROM THIRD COUNTRIES

**Held on 24 April 2019, web conference
(Agreed on 26 April 2019)**

Participants

- Working Group Members:

Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Peláez, Hendrik van Loveren. EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla

- Hearing Experts¹:

Not Applicable

- European Commission representatives:

Rafael Luis Perez Berbejal

- EFSA:

Nutrition Unit: Valeriu Curtui

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

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

¹ As defined in Article 17 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/en/keydocs/docs/expertselection.pdf>.

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



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. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

EFSA staff updated the WG Members on a new notification on TF which has been submitted to EFSA since the last meeting: notification on Maqui (*Aristotelia chilensis*) as a TF (EFSA-Q-2019-00203).

5. Draft Technical Report on leaf powder of *Moringa stenopetala* as TF. Applicant: Laura Manzano Outeiral (EFSA-Q-2019-00128)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the TF notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion.

6. Any Other Business

The next meeting will be held on 16 May 2019.

Minutes of the 4th meeting of the EFSA Working Group on Traditional Foods from Third Countries

**Web-conference, 13 July 2018
(Agreed on 17 July 2018)**

Participants

Working Group Members:

Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Peláez, Hendrik van Loveren. EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla

Hearing expert¹:

Not applicable

European Commission representative:

None

EFSA:

NUTRI Unit: Valeriu Curtui

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest of Working Group 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

¹ As defined in Article 11 of the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest:

<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

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

Group (WG) 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. Update on new notifications on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

No new notifications on TF have been submitted to EFSA since the last meeting.

5. Update on the assessed notifications on TF

EFSA staff gave an overview on the conclusion of the evaluation of the notifications on berries of *Lonicera caerulea* L. and grains of *Digitaria exilis* (Kippist) Stapf as TF.

6. Draft Technical Report on *Sorghum saccharatum* syrup as TF. Applicant: Sorghum Zrt. (EFSA-Q-2018-00342)

The draft Technical Report was discussed. The data provided in the notification and the references retrieved by EFSA were reviewed. After amendments, the draft Technical Report will be shared among the WG members for their final revision. The Technical Report will be submitted for approval and publication on the EFSA website.

7. Any other business

The next meeting of the WG on TF is scheduled on 27-28 September 2018.

Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the EFSA Working Group on Traditional Foods from Third Countries

Web-conference, 8 June 2018

(Agreed on 13 June 2018)

Participants

Working Group Members:

Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Peláez, Hendrik van Loveren. EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla

Hearing expert¹:

Not applicable

European Commission representatives:

Ivona Babic, Rafael Perez-Berbejal, Takis Daskaleros

EFSA:

NUTRI Unit: Valeriu Curtui

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest of Working Group members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working

¹ As defined in Article 11 of the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest: <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

group (WG) Members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Update on new notification on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

No new notifications on TF have been submitted to EFSA since the last meeting.

5. Draft Technical Report on berries of *Lonicera caerulea* L. as TF. Applicant: Soloberry Ltd (EFSA-Q-2018-00145)

The draft Technical Report was revised and it will be submitted for approval and publication on the EFSA website.

6. Draft Technical Report on grains of *Digitaria exilis* (Kippist) Stapf as TF. Applicant: Obà Food Srl. (EFSA-Q-2018-00144)

The draft Technical Report was revised and it will be submitted for approval and publication on the EFSA website.

7. Draft Technical Report on *Sorghum saccharatum* syrup as TF. Applicant: Sorghum Zrt. (EFSA-Q-2018-00342)

The draft Technical Report was discussed and, after amendments, it will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion.

8. Any other business

The next meeting of the WG on Traditional Foods from Third Countries will be held on 13 July 2018 (web-conference).

Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the EFSA Working Group on Traditional Foods from Third Countries

Web-conference, 4 May 2018

(Agreed on 9 May 2018)

Participants

Working Group Members:

Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Peláez, Hendrik van Loveren. EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla

Hearing expert¹:

Not applicable

European Commission representative:

None

EFSA:

NUTRI Unit: Valeriu Curtui

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest of Working Group members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes² and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest³, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working

¹ As defined in Article 11 of the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest: <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>.

² <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencepolicy.pdf>

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

group (WG) Members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

4. Update on new notification on Traditional Foods from Third Countries (TF)

EFSA staff updated the WG Members on a new notification on TF which has been submitted to EFSA since the last meeting: notification on sorghum syrup as a TF (EFSA-Q-2018-00342).

5. Draft Technical Report on berries of *Lonicera caerulea* L. as TF. Applicant: Soloberry Ltd (EFSA-Q-2018-00145)

The draft Technical Report was discussed and, after amendments, it will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion.

6. Draft Technical Report on grains of *Digitaria exilis* (Kippist) Stapf as TF. Applicant: Obà Food Srl. (EFSA-Q-2018-00144)

The draft Technical Report was discussed and, after amendments, it will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion.

7. Any other business

EFSA staff informed that, following the request raised at the WG meeting in April, the name of the WG has been officially changed from 'Working Group on Traditional Foods' to 'Working Group on Traditional Foods from Third Countries'.

The next meeting of the WG on Traditional Foods from Third Countries will be held on 8 June 2018 (web-conference).

Minutes of the 1st meeting of the EFSA Working Group on Traditional Foods from third countries

Held on 19-20 April 2018, Parma (Italy)

(Agreed on 24 April 2018)

Participants

Working Group Members:

Karl-Heinz Engel, John Kearney, Alexandre Maciuk, Carmen Pelaez, Hendrik van Loveren. EFSA staff: Bernard Bottex¹, Wolfgang Gelbmann, Emanuela Turla

Hearing expert²:

Not applicable

European Commission representative:

None

EFSA:

NUTRI Unit: Valeriu Curtui, Leng Heng

1. Welcome

EFSA staff (Chair) welcomed the participants to the first meeting of the Working Group on Traditional Foods from third countries. EFSA staff invited the participants to present themselves during a tour de table.

2. Apologies for absence

None.

3. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

¹ Participated on 20 April

² As defined in Article 11 of the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest: <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>.

4. Declarations of interest of Working Group members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes³ and the Decision of the Executive Director on Declarations of Interest⁴, EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of Interest and the Specific Declaration of Interest filled in by the working group (WG) Members invited for the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of Interest at the beginning of this meeting.

5. Back-ground information on Traditional Foods from third countries

EFSA staff presented the legislative framework for Traditional Foods from third countries (TF) and the scientific requirements for TF notifications, as outlined in the EFSA guidance for the preparation of TF notifications⁵. EFSA staff described the workflow for the evaluation of TF notifications. The evaluation of TF will be reported in Technical Reports which will be published on the EFSA web-site.

6. Approach for assessment of TF

The WG Members discussed the general approach for the evaluation of notifications on TF (i.e. identification and characterisation of hazards which may pose a risk to human health).

7. Meeting dates for 2018

The WG Members agreed on the dates for the forthcoming meetings. The next WG meeting will be held on 4 May 2018.

8. Collaboration with the WG Compendium of botanicals

EFSA staff outlined the collaboration with the WG Compendium of botanicals of the Scientific Committee in the context of the evaluation of notifications on TF. The WG on Compendium of botanicals will support the

³ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencpolicy.pdf>

⁴ <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/keydocs/docs/independencerules2014.pdf>

⁵ EFSA NDA Panel (EFSA Panel on Dietetic Products, Nutrition and Allergies), Turck D, Bresson J-L, Burlingame B, Dean T, Fairweather-Tait S, Heinonen M, Hirsch-Ernst KI, Mangelsdorf I, McArdle H, Naska A, Neuhäuser-Berthold M, Nowicka G, Pentieva K, Sanz Y, Siani A, Sjödin A, Stern M, Tome D, Vinceti M, Willatts P, Engel K-H, Marchelli R, Pötting A, Poulsen M, Schlatter J, Gelbmann W, de Sesmaisons-Lecarré A, Verhagen H and van Loveren H, 2016. Guidance on the preparation and presentation of the notification and application for authorisation of traditional foods from third countries in the context of Regulation (EU) 2015/2283. EFSA Journal 2016;14(11):4590, 16 pp. doi:10.2903/j.efsa.2016.4590

WG on TF in retrieving data for hazard identification and characterisation of TF consisting of, isolated from or produced from plants or their parts.

9. Draft Technical Report on berries of *Lonicera caerulea* L. as TF. Applicant: Soloberry Ltd (EFSA-Q-2018-00145)

The draft Technical Report was discussed and, after amendments, it will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion.

10. Draft Technical Report on grains of *Digitaria exilis* (Kippist) Stapf as TF. Applicant: Obà Food Srl. (EFSA-Q-2018-00144)

The draft Technical Report was discussed and, after amendments, it will be presented at the next WG meeting for further discussion.

11. Any other business

No other issues were discussed.