

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Presentation on the outcome of the studies performed by the German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR) on the representativeness of sampling large lots of herbs (>15 t) for their PA content and results on the handling of the aggregate sample in the laboratory.
 - a. Presentation
 - b. Question and answers

Discussion on an amendment to the draft Commission Implementing Regulation laying down the methods of sampling and analysis for the control of the levels of mycotoxins in food and repealing Regulation (EC) No 401/2006.

2. Assessment of the achievability of the lower maximum levels for ergot and ergot alkaloids in certain products as from 01/07/2024.
 - a. Ergot sclerotia in unprocessed cereals
 - b. Ergot alkaloids in milling products of barley, wheat, spelt and oats (with an ash content lower than 900 mg/g dry matter) and in rye milling products and rye placed on the market for the final consumer.

Discussion and preliminary conclusion

3. Discussion on the approach for a draft Commission Regulation providing rules to be applied by the business operators as regards sampling and analysis when performing the obligatory autocontrols on the presence of mycotoxins and plant toxins.
4. Quinolizidine alkaloids in food. Draft Recommendation for monitoring
Follow-up to the EFSA opinion on the risks for animal and human health related to the presence of quinolizidine alkaloids in feed and food, in particular in lupins and lupin-derived products
5. Discussion on amendments of Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/915 as regards the description of the certain maximum levels (for the topics falling within the remit of the Working Group).
6. Aflatoxins in tiger nuts – request to establish a maximum level for aflatoxins in tiger nuts and products derived thereof
7. Δ -9 THC in hemp leaves for infusion
8. Sampling and analysis of ochratoxin A in ham and cheese.
9. Any other business