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Calls

EFSA grant - Call for proposals "Identifying organisations that can be entrusted by EFSA to improve methods for collection, management and analysis of scientific data from Member State competent authorities reported to EFSA" / Deadline: 25/06/2021

We would like you to support EFSA in promoting the call for proposals (grant) - **Identifying organisations that can be entrusted by EFSA to improve methods for collection, management and analysis of scientific data from Member State competent authorities reported to EFSA** - Ref GP/EFSA/DATA/2021/01

This call for proposals aims to identify organisations, to which can be entrusted the tasks as detailed under the following three lots of the call, upon concluding Framework Partnership Agreements (FPA) for duration up to 4 years:

- **Lot 1:** Improved methods for chemical monitoring and organisms monitoring data collection and reporting
- **Lot 2:** Improved data transfer and performance of data validation of large files in reporting of chemical and organisms monitoring data
- **Lot 3:** Harmonised food consumption and food composition data collection.

You can find more details on the main and specific objectives [here](#).

Please note that the deadline for submission of proposals is **25 June 2021**

In case of any queries related to this Call, please do not hesitate to address them to EFSAProcurement@efsa.europa.eu by indicating the Call reference.

Call for proposals: [GP/EFSA/DATA/2021/01 - Identifying organisations that can be entrusted by EFSA to improve methods for collection, management and analysis of scientific data from Member State competent authorities reported to EFSA](#)

EFSA grant - Call for proposals "Entrusting new preparatory tasks falling within the mission of the EFSA Pesticides Peer Review and Pesticides Residues and Application Desk units" | Deadline: 17/06/2021

We would like you to support EFSA in promoting the call for proposals (grant) - **Entrusting new preparatory tasks falling within the mission of the EFSA Pesticides Peer Review and Pesticides Residues and Application Desk units**- Ref GP/EFSA/PREV/2021/01

This call for proposals aims to identify organisations, to which can be entrusted the specific area/task combinations as detailed in the call, upon concluding Framework Partnership Agreements (FPA) for duration up to 4 years. You can find more details on the main and specific objectives in the call documents (ref. the link below). and may apply for one or more area/task combination(s).

that the deadline for submission of proposals is **17 June 2021**

In case of any queries related to this Call, please do not hesitate to address them to EFSAProcurement@efsa.europa.eu by indicating the Call reference.

Call for proposals: [GP/EFSA/PREV/2021/01 - Entrusting new preparatory tasks falling within the mission of the EFSA Pesticides Peer Review and Pesticides Residues and Application Desk units](#)

Public Consultations

Public Consultation: DRAFT WHO Global Strategy for Food Safety (Deadline 18 June)

This message is to inform you that WHO is now launching a public web-based consultation on the draft WHO Global Strategy for Food Safety. You are all invited to provide comments through this consultation and please also kindly disseminate this information to your networks.

Background:

In 2020, the 73rd World Health Assembly, the supreme decision-making body of WHO, has endorsed a resolution, [“Strengthening efforts on Food Safety”](#). Particularly, the resolution requests WHO “to update, in coordination with FAO, and in consultation with Member States and OIE, the WHO global strategy for food safety in order to address current and emerging challenges, incorporating new technologies and including innovative strategies for strengthening food safety systems, and to submit a report for consideration by the Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly in 2022;”

In light of this, WHO secretariat, with the advice of a Technical Advisory Group on Food Safety: Safer Food for Better Health, has produced the 1st Draft of WHO Global Strategy for Food Safety: 2022-2030. The content of the strategy is mainly built upon the two international food safety conferences convened in 2019.

About this public consultation:

This public consultation is open to all relevant stakeholders, including Member States and governmental institutions, UN systems and other inter-governmental organizations, academia institutions, non-governmental organizations, private sector entities, and also individuals working in public health and food safety. Please note that the public consultation is open until 18 June, 23:59, CEST. **Please refer to the WHO webpage (<https://www.who.int/news-room/articles-detail/public-consultation-on-the-draft-who-global-strategy-for-food-safety>) for the full draft strategy and also the general guidance for the submission of comments.**

Food safety is a shared responsibility. Have your say on WHO Global Strategy for Food Safety!

Please feel free to contact [@fos-strategy](#) for further questions.

Events

Registration opening for observing the 104th Plenary meeting of the Scientific Committee / 30 June- 1 July 2021 | Deadline: 20/6/2021

We would like to inform you that the registration to observe the **104th Scientific Committee Open plenary meeting** is now open. Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the meeting has been entirely converted to a WEB event and will take place on **30 June-1 July 2021**.

Please note that the registration to observe is open until the **20 June 2021 - 00:00 (CEST)**.

Please note also that EFSA reserves the right to screen applications and prioritise requests to ensure geographical balance and broader participation.

You will receive a written response by email after the closing of registrations on Sunday 20th June at 23.50 pm. If your participation is confirmed, you will receive the link to join the meeting. This link must not be shared with any other persons, including colleagues from the same company; not registered and invited persons will be rejected from the meeting.

The platform used for the event will be Microsoft Teams.

OPEN PLENARY: [104th Plenary meeting of the Scientific Committee - Open for observers](#)

COMPATIBLE WEB BROWSERS: [List](#)

Webinar: Application procedure for food enzymes, food flavourings and food additives – 4 June 2021 | deadline to register 3 June 2021 10:00 (CET)

Please be informed also about the organisation of a **webinar** that will explain the **lifecycle and procedural aspects for food enzymes, food flavourings and food additives applications**, based on questions received following the entry into application of the Transparency Regulation.

The online event is aimed at applicants in the area of food enzymes, food flavourings and food additives, business operators, small and medium-sized enterprises, and laboratory / testing facilities. Participants will be able to submit questions during a dedicated Q&A session. EFSA will publish a recording of this webinar on its website ([here](#)).

The webinar is scheduled on Friday **4th June 2021** from **11:00** o'clock in duration of one hour.

More information incl. draft [agenda](#) and [online registration](#) are available at this EFSA webpage: <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/events/webinar-application-procedure-food-enzymes-food-flavourings-and-food-additives#related-topics>.

Online event: Update of the guidance for submitting a dossier on food enzymes/ Mon-Tue. 21-22 Jun. at 14.00 (CET) | Deadline: 14/6/2021

We would like to inform you about the **“Stakeholder online event on the update of the guidance for submitting a dossier on food enzymes”**. This event is a follow-up to the public consultation and aims to address and clarify procedural aspects related to dossier preparation and submission. EFSA is updating this guidance by incorporating the latest scientific developments and best practice in risk assessment methodology.

The event is scheduled in **two afternoon sessions** on Monday and Tuesday **21st and 22nd June 2021** from **14:00** o'clock in duration of four hours.

More information available at this EFSA webpage: <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/events/stakeholder-event-update-guidance-submitting-dossier-food-enzymes>, incl. [agenda Day 1](#) and [Day 2](#).

The event is open for [online registration](#), free of charge, to be closed after 14 June or after reaching the limit of 250 participants registered.

Should you have any questions or doubts, please contact EFSA at conferences@efsa.europa.eu.

Training

9th BfR-Summer Academy 2021 - Lecture series'. Deadline: 18/7/2021

The German Focal Point would like to draw your attention to the '9th BfR-Summer Academy 2021 - Lecture series'. The BfR Summer Academy is a professional expert training course on risk assessment and risk communication in the area of food safety. This year it will be held online. The participation is free of charge.

- August 16 to 20, 2021; 6:30–11:00 UTC each day (Eastern time zones)
- August 23 to 27, 2021; 11:30–16:00 UTC each day (Western time zones)

For more information and to apply by **18 July 2021**, please click [HERE](#).

Recruitment

New Job Opportunities in EFSA - HRBP | Deadline to apply: 07/06/2021

We would like to inform you that **EFSA has recently published a new call for HR Business Partners**.

EFSA is looking for talented HR Business Partners ready to play a pivotal role in providing advice to EFSA business units and managers.

If you are interested in contributing to the future of science and play a role in EFSA's readiness for the future, **make sure you consider this opportunity and/or spread the word within your network**.

For any further questions, kindly contact us at recruitment@efsa.europa.eu.

EFSA Professional Opportunity : [HR Business Partner](#) – deadline to apply: 07/06/2021

Apply and make a difference in health and food safety in the European Commission.

The European Commission is looking for highly talented and motivated health and food safety specialists in the area of audit, inspection and evaluation, and administrators in policy/law-making in health and food safety.

Successful candidates will be working in multicultural, international and diverse teams to benefit the lives of over 445 million citizens in Europe and beyond.

As an employer, the Institutions and Agencies of the EU offer a community of expertise with a wide range of opportunities to broaden learning, enhance skills, and develop careers.

To apply click here: https://epso.europa.eu/content/administrators-field-health-and-food-safety_en

To learn more about what they do in the area of auditing, inspection and evaluation see our short video about "an auditors day": <https://audiovisual.ec.europa.eu/embed/index.html?ref=I-131693> or watch

our series of "Audits simply explained": https://ec.europa.eu/food/audits_analysis/videos/videos-english_en

Other

The countdown to the European Ombudsman Award for Good Administration ceremony has started! Deadline: 20/6/2021

The European Ombudsman has published the [list of 37 projects](#) that have been nominated for the third edition of the Award for Good Administration. Among the submitted and nominated projects, please find **3 entries from EFSA**.

The digital award ceremony will take place on **24 June 2021 from 10-11:30**. More information is available on the [event page](#), which will be updated regularly.

What's new this time: in addition to a winner for each of the four categories and an overall Award winner, there is now a public vote on the projects. **Members of the public can therefore [vote for their favourite of the 37 projects](#)**.

[Following this link](#), you will find an overview of all 37 projects which were submitted. We encourage you to vote for your favourite one and to inform colleagues, friends and family about the public voting!

You can also keep an eye on the European Ombudsman's social media channels. Each project will be presented individually, and each post will be accompanied by a short video over the coming weeks.

EXTENDED Deadline: 31.05.2021 / European Parliament study – Cost of Non-Agencies in the Health and Safety Field

We are writing to you about a study that the European Parliament is carrying out to examine the costs to the EU and Member States in a situation where the EU agencies did not exist. This study is being conducted by the Centre for Strategy & Evaluation Services (CSES).

Given your experience working with EFSA, we were asked by CSES if we could approach you and seek for your willingness to answer this 10 to 15 minute online survey. The questionnaire aims to get your views on a number of issues, namely the role of the agencies in the current COVID-19 pandemic, the benefits of the agencies to Member States and the extent to which the EU and its Member States would be impacted if the EU Agencies were not operating.

The study focuses on seven EU decentralised agencies: the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA); European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC); European Food Standards Agency (EFSA); European Medicines Agency (EMA); European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA); European Railway Agency (ERA); European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA).

Assuming you are willing to participate in this research by filling out the questionnaire, we would be very grateful if you could do it so by **Sunday 31 May**. CSES confirms that your responses will be anonymised. You may access the survey through the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PMS9K2P>

If you have any issues in viewing/completing the questionnaire or have any questions about the study, please contact Giorgio Cacciaguerra Ranghieri from CSES (gcacciaguerra@cses.co.uk) who will be happy to help you.