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Calls

EFSA grant - GP/EFSA/PLANTS/2022/01 - "Cooperation with EFSA in the area of Cumulative Risk Assessment from dietary exposure to pesticides" | DL 29/04/2022

We would like you to support EFSA in promoting the call for proposals (grant): **Cooperation with EFSA in the area of Cumulative Risk Assessment (CRA) from dietary exposure to pesticides** - Ref GP/EFSA/PLANTS/2022/01

This call for proposals, is in a new type of grant based on achievements of results/deliverables. The main objective of the call is to **implement the CRA process in the form of a cooperative activity between EFSA and competent national organisations**. This would optimise the experience sharing in EU, and therefore contribute to the achievement of the EFSA strategic objective 'Building the EU's scientific assessment capacity and knowledge community' while ensuring consistency of the outcomes.

This Call for proposals aims therefore to conclude a Framework Partnership Agreements (FPA) preferably with a consortium of Article 36 organisations for the performance of the tasks described in the call specifications.

Please note that the deadline for submission of proposals is **29 April 2022**

The link to the EFSA webpage with more details on the specific objectives, the guide for applicants and relevant annexes of the call : [GP/EFSA/PLANTS/2022/01: Cooperation with EFSA in the area of Cumulative Risk Assessment from dietary exposure to pesticides](https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/procurement/2022/01)

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.

REMINDER: EU-FORA CALLS- DLs: 17 Feb 2022 & 18 Mar 2022

This is a kind reminder of the two EU-FORA calls currently ongoing:

- **Call for proposals for the selection of hosting sites and fellows.** All the info, including the call documents, the recorded info session and the Q&A can be found here:

<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/art36grants/article36/gpefsaenco202101-selection-hosting-sites-and-fellows-efsas-european-food-risk> . **Deadline: 18 March 2022.** Only Art.36 organisations are eligible to apply.

- **Call for tender for the selection of a contractor for the organisation and delivery of EU-FORA trainings.** All the documents can be found on the e-tendering website: <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=9658>. **Deadline: 17 February 2022.** Open to all types of organisations/institutions.

All the summarised information, as well as the links to the Calls and some additional useful documents regarding the next EU-FORA cycle, can be found on the EU-FORA dedicated webpage: <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/engage/fellowship>

Public Consultations

EFSA Public consultations - Draft Scientific Opinions open for public consultation (genetically modified microorganisms and plants) | Deadline: 16 March 2022

We would like to inform you that EFSA has opened two scientific works for public consultation:

- [A draft scientific opinion that evaluates the adequacy of existing guidelines for the risk assessment of food and feed from genetically modified microorganisms obtained through synthetic biology.](#)
- [A draft scientific opinion that evaluates the adequacy of existing guidelines for the risk assessment of food and feed from genetically modified plants obtained through synthetic biology.](#)

Interested parties can submit comments **by 16 March 2022** through the following link: <https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/publicconsultation> .

Events

EFSA Stakeholder workshop on small particles and nanoparticles in food | 31 March and 1 April 2022 | registration 7 March 2022

We are pleased to announce the “**EFSA Stakeholder workshop on small particles and nanoparticles in food**”, which will be held online on **31 March and 1 April 2022**.

EFSA invites applicants, interested parties, laboratories conducting the studies, consultants, and other stakeholders to actively participate in the discussion, sharing their experiences and discussing best practices for implementing the new requirements of the guidances in a cost-effective way.

The **deadline to register** is **7 March 2022**.

Further details on the online event and on how to register are available on the [dedicated page](#) on the EFSA website.

"European stakeholders" workshop on New Approach Methodologies (NAMs) for Developmental Neurotoxicity (DNT) and their use in the regulatory risk assessment of chemicals | 7-9 March 2022 | Registration 15 Feb 2022

We are pleased to announce the **"European stakeholders" workshop on New Approach Methodologies (NAMs) for Developmental Neurotoxicity (DNT) and their use in the regulatory risk assessment of chemicals"** which will be held online from 7 to 9 March 2022.

The aims of the workshop are to update stakeholders on progress made, present case studies where DNT NAMs have been used in regulatory chemical risk assessment and define what is needed to design a road map for regulatory use of DNT NAMs (namely DNT-IVB) in chemical risk assessment. The workshop is aimed specifically at European risk managers and regulatory authorities involved in chemical risk assessment.

The **deadline to register** is **15 February 2022**.

Further details on the online event and on how to register are available on the [dedicated page](#) on the EFSA website.

ONE Conference 2022: Opening of Registration & Video Contest launched (February) | Registration for on-site participation: 29 April 2022

We are pleased to inform you that **registration for the ONE Conference 2022 officially opened**.

The deadline to register for on-site participation is **29 April**.

Registration for online participation will remain open during the conference. The registration form as well as the updated conference programme are available on the [ONE Conference website](#).

Video Contest

To have a sneak peek into the research that will be presented at the conference, EFSA has launched a **Video Contest** running on [EFSA's YouTube channel](#) from **1 to 28 February**.

Abstract authors are showcasing their work/research in short videos for the chance to win a **trip to Brussels** to deliver a **live pitch** at the conference in June.

Training

Registration for the Webinar "OPEX Calculator for non-dietary exposure to plant protection products"- Deadline: 23 Feb 2022

We inform you that EFSA is organising the 'OPEX Calculator for non-dietary exposure to plant protection products' **Webinar** on **25 February 2022 between 11:00 – 12:15 (CET)**.

EFSA's guidance on the assessment of exposure of operators, workers, residents and bystanders in risk assessment of plant protection products ([OPEX Guidance](#)) has been updated. The calculator has been revised and an online user-friendly tool has been developed (OPEX Calculator) based on the updated methodology described in the OPEX Guidance.

Registrations are open until 23 February 2022. For more information, please, visit the [EFSA website](#).

Registration for Webinar on "Application Procedure for GMO". Deadline: 2 March 2022

We inform you that the Webinar on Application Procedure for GMO will take place on **3 March 2022, 11:00 – 12:30 (CET)**.

This is an opportunity to provide a step-by-step explanation of the application process, from account creation to risk assessment, adoption, and publication. EFSA staff will also present the new requirements related to confidentiality and public consultations.

Representatives of business operators, small and medium-sized enterprises, as well as laboratories and testing facilities are invited to attend. **Registrations are open until 2 March, 10:00 (CET)** – more information is available on the [EFSA website](#).

Publications

New infographics on grants & procurements published on the EFSA Website

We are pleased to inform you that EFSA has recently published **two new infographics** outlining the basics about **Grants and Procurement** procedures EFSA uses and the type of contracts the Authority signs. Please find them EFSA website following the links below:

<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/calls/procurement>

<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/calls/art36grants>

Joint ECDC-EFSA Rapid Outbreak Assessment on a multi-country outbreak of Salmonella Enteritidis ST11 infections linked to eggs and egg products

<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/7180>

EFSA Recruitment

New Job Opportunity at EFSA Head of Unit - Biological Hazards & Animal Health and Welfare | Deadline to apply: 07/03/2022

We would like to inform you that EFSA has recently published a new call for a **Head of Unit - Biological Hazards & Animal Health and Welfare**

EFSA is looking for an outstanding professional with strong people management skills and experience in managing and coordinating scientific processes to lead the Biological Hazards & Animal Health and Welfare (BIOHAW) Unit, composed of around 30 persons, and coordinate its work programme in line with EFSA's strategy.

[Head of Unit - Biological Hazards & Animal Health and Welfare](#) - **Deadline for application: 07/03/2022**