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## LUXEMBOURGISH EFSA FOCAL POINT NEWSLETTER

# 22-5

### Calls

#### *Open call for tenders on roadmaps for action on animal welfare (OC/EFSA/ED/22/02) and communication science (OC/EFSA/ED/22/01) | Deadline: 25/8/2022*

EFSA has published [open calls for tenders](#) (OC/EFSA/ED/22/02 and OC/EFSA/ED/22/01) for the development of roadmaps for action on:

Call for tenders	<b>Development of a Roadmap for Action for the Project ‘More Welfare: towards New Risk Assessment Methodologies and Harmonised Animal Welfare Data in the EU’</b>
Link to the call	<a href="#">TED website</a>
Maximum budget	<b>EUR 500.000</b>
Time limit for receipt of tenders (deadline)	<b>25/08/2022 at 14.30hrs (CET)</b>
For questions, please contact:	<a href="mailto:EFSAprocurement@efsa.europa.eu">EFSAprocurement@efsa.europa.eu</a>

The aim of this procurement is to obtain a roadmap for action in the area of animal welfare for:

- i) the successful development and future implementation of a **methodology for animal welfare quantitative risk assessment of food-producing animals** and their production systems, and
- ii) the identification of **strategic data collection activities** to gather evidence on the main elements **influencing the welfare state** of food-producing animals during production (on-farm welfare).

Call for tenders	<b>Development of a Roadmap for Action on Evidence-based Risk Communication in the EU Food Safety System</b>
Link to the call	<a href="#">TED website</a>

Maximum budget	EUR 1.000.000,- (EUR 250,000 per lot)
Time limit for receipt of tenders (deadline)	25/08/2022 at 14.30hrs (CET)
For questions, please contact:	<a href="mailto:EFSAprocurement@efsa.europa.eu">EFSAprocurement@efsa.europa.eu</a>

The aim of this procurement is to develop four roadmaps for action in the area of **evidence-based risk communication in the EU food safety system** by providing **recommendations for research priorities** to support the **implementation of risk communication** according to the principles defined in the Transparency Regulation. The main objective of these roadmaps for action is to consider the findings of [EFSA's scientific report](#) and to define a way forward to advance in areas where additional research is required in support of evidence-based risk communication in the realm of food safety.

The tender is divided into the following four lots:

- Lot 1: False information related to food safety
- Lot 2: Effectiveness of Transparency initiatives
- Lot 3: Insights into consumer trade-offs related to risks and benefits
- Lot 4: Linking factors behind perception and behaviour

The roadmaps for action shall provide a full understanding on e.g. ongoing activities, knowledge gaps, challenges and blockers as well as collaboration opportunities and potential partners. Each roadmap must provide for EFSA and its partners a basis for prioritisation and decision making for high-value and multi-annual studies or project calls (grants or procurements) to address the identified gaps.

### ***Open call for tenders Open call for tenders (OC/EFSA/IDATA/2022/01) still open (OC/EFSA/IDATA/2022/01) still open | deadline: 15/6/2022***

EFSA call for tenders call for tenders [OC/EFSA/IDATA/2022/01](#) on 'Implementation of a Multi-OMICs and Inter-species Workflow to Derive Human Reference Points and Health-based Guidance Values (HBGVs) from Quantitative in Vitro Data' is still open until Thursday 15/06/2022.

Interested tenderers can apply to either of the two lots independently, as consortia and some deliverables can be also be subcontracted.

Open consisting of two lots, with the overall objective of defining, validating and applying a standardised workflow for deriving reliable human reference points and health-based guidance values (HBGVs) using cutting edge in-vitro approaches, namely organ-on-a-chip (OoC) platforms and multiple OMICs endpoints (transcriptomics, metabolomics, epigenomics)

The available budgets for each direct contract are:

-Lot 1 maximum budget during the 3 years of the duration of the contract is 3,000,000EUR

-Lot 2 maximum budget during the 1 year of the duration of the contract is 250,000 EUR

### ***EFSA grant - Call for proposals - GP/EFSA/PREV/2022/01 - Develop adverse outcome pathways (AOPs) for endocrine disrupters (EDs) | deadline: 30/6/2022***

The following Call for Proposals (grant) has been published on the EFSA website.

Call reference: GP/EFSA/PREV/2022/01 - **Develop adverse outcome pathways (AOPs) for endocrine disrupters (EDs)**

Link to the **call documents**:

<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/art36grants/article36/gpefsaprev202201-develop-adverse-outcome-pathways-aops-endocrine-disrupters>, including [Clarification 1](#) of EFSA answer to a question received from an interested potential applicant.

The deadline for submission of proposals is **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022** (12:30).

This call for proposals, is in a new type of grant based on achievements of results/deliverables. You can find more details on the specific objectives and the description the tasks to be performed in the call documents (ref. the link above).

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## Public Consultations

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### ***EFSA Public consultation - draft protocol for hazard assessment- Deadline: 5 July 2022***

We would like to inform you that EFSA's Food Ingredients and Packaging unit has launched a public consultation **on the draft protocol for the hazard assessment as part of the risk assessment of phthalates, structurally similar substances and replacement substances potentially used as plasticisers in materials and articles intended to come into contact with food.**

The protocol describes how hazard identification and hazard characterisation will be addressed. This document describes the strategy for retrieving, selecting, extracting the data, appraising the relevant evidence, summarizing, analysing and integrating scientific evidence in order to perform hazard assessments.

Interested parties can submit comments **by 5 July 2022 (midnight CEST)** through this [link](#).

### ***Public consultation on a “Draft updated Scientific Opinion on plants developed through cisgenesis and intragenesis” | Deadline: 27/6/2022***

We would like to inform you that EFSA has launched a **public consultation on a “Draft updated scientific opinion on plants developed through cisgenesis and intragenesis”.**

The updated draft opinion has been developed upon an EC request to confirm whether the considerations and conclusions of EFSA's Scientific Opinion on "the safety assessment of plants developed through cisgenesis and intragenesis", published in 2012, are still applicable.

If interested, please submit comments [through this link](#) **by 27 June 2022** at midnight.

### ***NIF-EFSA Public consultation - Scientific opinion on the conversion of calcium-L-methylfolate and (6S)-5-methyltetrahydrofolic acid glucosamine salt into dietary folate equivalents - Comments by 8 June 2022***

We would like to inform you that EFSA has launched a **public consultation on the Draft Scientific opinion on the conversion of calcium-L-methylfolate and (6S)-5-methyltetrahydrofolic acid glucosamine salt into dietary folate equivalents.**

This document provides scientific advice on the derivation of a conversion factor which allows to express the amount in µg of 5-MTHF added to foods as µg DFE.

Kindly refer to [this link](#) for further information, **comments can be submitted until 8 June 2022.**

## Events

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### ***La sécurité dans mon assiette | date: 9.6.2022 | inscriptions jusqu'au 31.5.2022***

Le Commissariat du gouvernement à la qualité, à la fraude et à la sécurité alimentaire en tant que Focal Point de l'EFSA, a le plaisir de vous convier à son événement annuel LA SÉCURITÉ DANS MON ASSIETTE.

La conférence se tiendra en luxembourgeois avec une traduction simultanée en français.

Enregistrez-vous jusqu'au 31 mai 2022: <https://www.emfro.lu/s3/la-securite-dans-mon-assiette-2022>

Plus d'informations : <https://securite-alimentaire.public.lu/fr/actualites/evenements/2022/la-securite-dans-mon-assiette-20220.html>

### ***109th Scientific Committee Open plenary meeting | date: 5-6.7.2022 | deadline: 21.6.2022***

We inform you that registration to observe the [109th Scientific Committee Open plenary meeting](#) is now open. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, observers are welcome to join the event that will only take place online on **5-6 July 2022**.

Please note 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 21 June at noon. 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. Non registered and invited people will be rejected from the meeting.**

The platform used for the event will be Microsoft Teams. A list of compatible web browsers can be found [here](#).

Participation in this event is free of charge. The meeting agenda will be published on **31 May**.

### ***EC Info Session "One substance, one assessment" - 1 June 2022***

EFSA would like to invite you to the **Information session on 'one substance, one assessment'** organised by the **European Commission - DG Environment**, on 1 June 2022 (please find the agenda and invitation letter in attachment).

The event has no limitation in the number of participants and will take place via web streaming with interaction via Slido

The event is aimed at informing **stakeholders and citizens** about the activities of the [Expert Working Group of Members States, EU Agencies and Commission Services on One Substance, One assessment](#) and the actions under this initiative.

## Training

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### ***EFSA Webinar on GMO tools for the representativeness of the field trial sites - 9 June 2022 - Deadline for registration: 3 June***

We are pleased to announce that EFSA is organising a **webinar on GMO tools for the representativeness of the field trial sites** scheduled online on 9 June from 16:00 to 17:30 (CEST).

This is an opportunity to provide practical assistance for the selection of field trial sites used for the agronomic/phenotypic and compositional characterisation of GM plants. The webinar will also present the [publicly available GMO tools](#) developed by EFSA to facilitate the selection of field trial sites and the evaluation of their representativeness.

Representatives of business operators, small and medium-sized enterprises, as well as laboratories and testing facilities are invited to attend.

**Deadline to register:** 3 June.

For more information you can consult the dedicated page on the [EFSA website](#).

The poster features a circular logo at the top left with the text 'LA SÉCURITÉ DANS MON ASSIETTE'. The main title is 'CONFÉRENCE DIVERSITÉ DES CONTRÔLES OFFICIELS DE LA CHAÎNE ALIMENTAIRE'. The date and time are 'JEUDI 09 JUN 2022 17 H'. The location is 'FORUM CAMPUS GEESE-KNÄPPCHEN'. There are six thematic areas listed: 'Contrôles des aliments pour animaux', 'Contrôle du bien-être animal', 'Contrôle de l'agriculture biologique', 'Contrôle de la sécurité microbiologique des aliments', 'Contrôle de l'hygiène dans les établissements du secteur alimentaire', and 'Contrôle des nouveaux aliments'. Registration is open until May 31st, with a QR code and a URL: <https://gd.lu/4q01f7>. The animation is by Joseph Rodesch, Mr Science. A 'MEET & EAT' section mentions 'Avec des surprises culinaires'. More information is available at [www.securite-alimentaire.lu](http://www.securite-alimentaire.lu).

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