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Calls

EFSA grant - Call for proposals - GP/EFSA/FIP/2022/01: Support to EFSA in the Risk Assessment of Food Enzymes, Food Additives, Food Flavourings and Feed Additives

Call reference: GP/EFSA/FIP/2022/01: **Support to EFSA in the Risk Assessment of Food Enzymes, Food Additives, Food Flavourings and Feed Additives**

Link to the **call documents**:

<https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/art36grants/article36/gpefsafip202201-support-efsa-risk-assessment-food-enzymes-food-additives-food>.

The deadline for submission of proposals is **Thursday 3rd November 2022** (12:30 CET).

Please note that to pursue of stronger engagement of the Member States competent organisations active in the core tasks of EFSA, this open grant call has eight lots - covering various competence area commonly applicable to these four regulatory domains: **food enzyme, food additives, food flavourings and feed additives**. This call for proposals, is in a new type of grant based on achievements of results/deliverables supporting EFSA directly in its mission. You can find more details on the objectives and tasks description in the call documents (ref. the link above).

Proposals can be submitted by one eligible organisation or **by consortia** of eligible organisations for **one or more lots**.

To clarify the content of the grant and to give an opportunity for an open discussion to potential applicants, EFSA will organise an **Info session** on **Tuesday 20th September 2022, 14:00 – 16:00 (CET)**. Please register timely to this online event via EFSA website [here](#).

Call for expression of interest to become a member of “EFSA Technical Group on the Tools related to the application of the Transparency Regulation (TG TOOLS)” | deadline: 16.09.2022

We would like to inform you that EFSA is establishing a new Technical Group on the TOOLS related to the application of the Transparency Regulation (TG TOOLS).

In establishing this dedicated forum for technical exchanges on the use of the tools, EFSA would like to create a channel to exchange and share feedback. For further information on the objectives of the Technical Group and the Terms of Reference, please have a look at the Terms of Reference document (attached).

The newly created Risk Assessment Logistic (RAL) Unit is on the lead for TOOLS Technical Group.

To the purpose of creating such Technical Group we are launching a call for expression of interest. The deadline to express interest for being a member of the EFSA TG TOOLS is **16 September 2022**. The EFSA TG TOOLS will be active from October 2022 to October 2024, with a kick-off meeting in mid-October 2022.

Should you have any question, kindly contact our colleagues in RAL at: RAL@efsa.europa.eu.

Overview open calls

N. Call	Link to the call	Call reference	Clarifications question to EFSA	Deadline
3	Development of Roadmaps for Action on Applying Omics and Bioinformatics Approaches: Towards Next Generation Risk Assessment (<i>procurement</i>) TED website	OC/EFSA/ED/2022/03	How: through the TEd-Tendering website, using the "Questions & answers" tab, by 15 Sep clicking "Create a 2022 - question" Note: 14:30 registration on TED (CEST) is required to be able to create and submit a question	
4	ADME4NGRA: Implementing the EFSA NAMs Roadmap through Advancing Toxicokinetic Knowledge in Chemical Risk Assessment (<i>procurement</i>) TED website	OC/EFSA/MESE/2022/04		
5	NAMS4NANO: Integration of New Approach Methodologies results in chemical risk assessments: Case studies addressing nanoscale considerations (<i>grant</i>) EFSA website	GP/EFSA/MESE/2022/01	EFSAProcurement@efsa.europa.eu Note: please indicate the Call reference	20 Sep 2022 - 23:59 (CEST)
6	NAM projects in the areas of AOP development and transcriptomics for risk assessment (<i>grant</i>) EFSA website	GP/EFSA/ED/2022/01		10 October 2022 - 23:59
4	Development of a Roadmap for Action for the Project 'More Welfare: towards New Risk Assessment Methodologies and Harmonised Animal Welfare Data in the EU' (<i>procurement</i>) TED website	OC/EFSA/ED/2022/02		23 Sep 2022 - 14:30 (CEST)
5	Development of a Roadmap for Action for the Project: Advancing Aggregate Exposure to Chemicals in EU (ExpoAdvance)- <i>procurement</i> TED website	OC/EFSA/ED/2022/04		22 Nov 2022- 14:30 (CEST)

Events

Webinar on confidentiality assessment and content sanitisation in the context of the Transparency Regulation - 27 September 2022

We inform you that the Webinar on *confidentiality assessment and content sanitisation in the context of the Transparency Regulation* will take place on **27 September from 10:00 to 11:30 (CEST)**.

This webinar will outline the procedures concerning confidentiality assessment and content sanitisation in place at EFSA. It will also provide an overview of the submission of confidentiality requests via the various IT tools, the E-submission Food Chain platform (ESFC), IUCLID or “Portalino”. Finally, it will provide practical guidance on lessons-learned and essentials to take account of when submitting confidentiality requests.

Representatives of business operators, small and medium-sized enterprises, as well as laboratories and testing facilities are invited to attend. **Registrations are open until 23 September** – more information on the [EFSA website](#).

Thank you in advance for sharing this event among those parts that may be interested in the webinar’s topic.

Publications

Editorial on EFSA’s preparedness

We inform you that the implementation of the Transparency Regulation (Regulation EU 2019/1381) has provided EFSA with the opportunity to allocate dedicated resources to scientific themes in its regulatory areas, in a coordinated manner with larger EU and Member States research and innovation programmes.

A number of themes have been selected since 2020. These have been identified based on known (methodological) knowledge gaps and as areas that need to be developed further so that EFSA is prepared for future regulatory challenges. For each theme roadmaps for action are developed which provide a full understanding on ongoing activities, knowledge gaps, societal interests and concerns as well as collaboration opportunities and potential partners.

To fill in the knowledge gaps, specific high-value project calls or studies in areas defined through the completed roadmaps for action will be launched through grants with Art.36 organisations or procurements. Integration of the results into the regulatory context will be facilitated by establishing trustful and effective cooperation at the EU and international levels. This will allow EFSA to update its guidance, methodologies, and assessment approaches across its scientific domains for higher quality and faster scientific advice, in line with the objectives of its Strategy 2027.

Additional information on the process and selection of themes since 2020 can be found in [this publication](#).

Recruitment

Open positions for Seconded National Experts @EFSA for the - Integrated Data Unit and - Nutrition & Food Innovation Unit

EFSA is looking for Seconded National Experts to fill in two positions, **one for the Nutrition & Food Innovation Unit** and **one for the Integrated Data Unit**. The selected candidates are expected to start as soon as possible.

Position for the Integrated Data Unit:

the Seconded National Expert (SNE) will be involved in EFSA activities related to food consumption and food composition data including the activities related to the FoodEx2 classification system.

We are looking for experienced candidates in:

1. collection and analysis of food consumption data and/or
2. compilation of food composition data and /or
3. international food classification systems such as FoodEx2, LanguaL, Codex Alimentarius and
4. writing scientific reports in English.

Position in the Nutrition & Food Innovation Unit:

The Seconded National Expert (SNE) will be involved in activities related to generic mandates (e.g. Dietary Reference Values for nutrients) and/or to regulated products' applications (e.g. safety assessment of novel foods, safety and bioavailability of nutrients and nutrient sources, safety/efficacy of other substances in food).

We are looking for experienced candidates in:

1. the area of [Human Nutrition](#) and/or [Novel Foods](#)
2. assessment of scientific information through searching, extracting, and evaluating data of data from various sources;
3. writing scientific reports in English and reviewing scientific outputs;
4. providing technical and scientific support to the activities of the [EFSA NDA Panel and its Working Groups](#) (e.g. preparation of working documents, scientific opinions, technical reports; preparing meeting agendas and minutes, etc.).

Candidates who are interested should submit their application via the general call for SNEs ([link](#)).

The eligibility criteria for the candidates are the following:

1. Be nationals of a European Union or EFTA Member State or a country with which the Council has decided to open accession negotiations and which has concluded a specific agreement with EFSA on staff secondments, except where the Executive Director grants derogation;
2. Be employed by a national, regional or local public administration or an intergovernmental organisation;
3. Have worked for your employer on a permanent or contract basis for at least 12 months before the secondment and shall remain in the service of that employer throughout the period of secondment;
4. Have at least three (3) years full-time experience in administrative, scientific, technical, advisory or supervisory functions at a level equivalent to the post;
5. Have thorough knowledge of spoken and written English and a satisfactory knowledge of a second EU language for the performance of the duties;
6. Meet the character requirements needed for the duties involved (e.g. a sworn affidavit to the effect that you have no criminal record).

For further information on rules and conditions please read the open call [here](#). Kindly note that, according to the point 5 of the Article 1 of the SNE rules, the employer shall continue to pay the salary and social contributions to the SNE during the period of secondment while, according to the Article 16, subsistence and monthly allowance are paid by EFSA to cover the SNE living expenses during the secondment.

Please spread the word to your network and feel free to contact EFSA via [ASK EFSA](#) if you need further clarification.

Postdoctoral Researcher in health risk assessment of endocrine disrupting chemicals in Sweden | 16.09.2022

A position as Postdoctoral Researcher in health risk assessment of endocrine disrupting chemicals is available at Institute of Environmental Medicine, Karolinska Institutet, Sweden.

This project is focused on development of a mechanism-based approach for identifying and assessing the toxicity of endocrine disrupting chemicals that is applicable in the regulatory setting. The project is centered around applying Adverse Outcome Pathway (AOP) methodology to organize, integrate and interpret different types of toxicity data (in silico, in vitro, in vivo and human) and draw conclusions about endocrine disrupting properties of chemicals.

Application deadline is September 16, 2022.

Application and more information: <https://ki.varbi.com/en/what:job/jobID:534348/>

New Job Opportunities at EFSA - Finance Specialist | 29.09.2022

We would like to inform you that **EFSA has recently published one new staff position for application.**

The position is: **Finance Specialist**

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 these opportunities and/or spread the word within your network.**

Please find at the bottom of this email the direct links to the vacancies in EFSA.

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

New Job Opportunity at EFSA - Talent Development Officer | Deadline: 3/10/2022

We would like to inform you that EFSA has recently published one **new staff position** for application for a **Talent Development Officer**.

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 these opportunities and/or spread the word within your network.**

Please find here below the direct link to the vacancy at EFSA:

EFSA Professional Opportunities

[Talent Development Officer](#) – Deadline to apply: 03/10/2022

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