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Invitation to the meeting of the REGULATORY COMMITTEE ON ORGANIC PRODUCTION

The 126th meeting of the Regulatory Committee on Organic Production will take place on 16 July 2015 from 14:30 to 18:30 and 17 July 2015 from 09:00 to 18:30 at rue de la Loi 130 – 11th floor - room B

Simultaneous interpretation: FR-DE-EN-IT-ES to FR-DE-EN-IT-ES

I have the honour to invite the experts from the appropriate departments of the Governments of the Member States to attend a meeting of the Regulatory Committee on Organic Production which will take place on 16 & 17 July 2015 in Brussels at the following address:

European Commission - DG AGRI building rue de la Loi 130 - B 1049 BRUSSELS 11th floor - room B

AGENDA

Section A - Opinion of the Committee

1. N/A

Section B - Points for information and/or discussion

- 1. Draft Commission Implementing Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 as regards substances: Annex II, VI &VIII
- 2. Interpretative note on the absence of detailed EU production rules for certain animal species, aquatic plants and certain microalgae (Article 42, second subparagraph of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007)
- 3. EGTOP

Updated information on planning and reports.

- 4. Follow-up on the questionnaire for the collection of data on the availability of organic aquaculture juveniles
- 5. Pesticides residues testing in organic production
- 6. Electronic certification of organic products imported into the EU
 - a) Overview of comments submitted further to the first phase of testing of the IT system;
 - b) First exchange of views on the aspects to clarify and/or amend in Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 with the view to introduce electronic certification of imports.
- 7. Implementation of EU organic regulations in third countries
- 8. Follow up on irregularities
 - a) Update on notification of EU irregularities
 - (1) Overview of notifications as of 22/06/2015
 - (2) Cases for presentation by the notified Member State and discussion
 - 69/2015, 68/2015, 67/2015, 62/2015, 33/2015(1562), 32/2015(1561), 22/2015(1542), 21/2015(1543) ES
 - 92/2015 and 91/2015 PL
 - 87/2015 IT
 - b) Update on notification of irregularities concerning imported products
 - (1) Overview of notifications per 15/06/2015

30 new cases were notified between 25/04/2015 and 15/06/2015.

Of the 2015 cases, 52 were open and overdue.

For 2014, the overview table only shows the 28 open cases.

- (2) Cases for presentation by the notifying Member State and discussion
 - (a) 60/2015 DE bananas from Peru
 - (b) 37/2015 NL blueberries from Chile
 - (c) 255 IT hazelnut paste from Turkey
- (3) Follow-up of cases presented in May 2015 RCOP
 - (a) 16/2015 UK wheat from Kazakhstan
- 9. Import regime (Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008)
 - a) Overview on third countries
 - Overview on applicant countries

Miscellaneous¹

- a) Organic statistics: state of play of data collection in 2015
- b) OFIS

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Any subjects that the Member States wish to discuss under Point 'Miscellaneous' need to be submitted to the Commission and the other Member States at the latest one week before the meeting of the Regulatory Committee on Organic Production.