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SUMMARY RECORD

MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIC PRODUCTION
Meeting via videoconference (Interactio)
on 30 November and 1st December 2021

Delegations present: All delegations were present.
Iceland, Norway and Switzerland were present as observers.

B. POINTS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR FOR INFORMATION

B.1. International points

Information was presented by the Commission services..

B.2. Microalgae and spirulina: presentation by FR followed by a discussion

FR presented main issues on this organic production sector

B.3. Use of artificial light and production of herbs in pots (point requested by BE)

BE presented the subject and ask other MS experience on this techniques how allowed and applied in organic productions.

EGTOP.

An update was given on EGTOP reports pending, requests from MS and the selection procedure for the new EGTOP were presented

B.4. Discussions on the implementation of organic rules (letters, interpretative notes, FAQs...)

COM presented briefly subjects of several recent letters of clarifications available in CIRCA BC.

B.5. COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) .../... laying down detailed rules on certain records and declarations required from operators and groups of operators and on the technical means for the issuance of certificates in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/848 of

the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/1378 as regards the issuance of the certificate for operators, groups of operators and exporters in third countries (PLAN/2021/11099; D074518)

Outcome of the vote by written procedure

B.6. Annual reports (MANCP) - Assessment of Annual Reports for the reporting year 2019

COM presented the main findings from the assessment of the Annual Reports submitted by Member States for the reporting year 2019 concerning the official controls on organic production and labelling performed by them.

B.7. ELECTRONIC CERTIFICATE OF OPERATORS – TRACES

Presentation from SANTE of the e-seal, XML function and new developments of the electronic system for the issuance of operator certificates in TRACES.

B.8. Information on the follow-up of ETO in relation to CBs under Annex IV to Regulation 1235/2008

COM presented a possible way forward to the Member States and discussed it with them.

B.9. Commission Notice on a guidance document on how to fill in section 9 of the standard model form in the Annex to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/723 (PLAN/2021/12072)

COM presented the new text. The guidance document will shortly be adopted.

B.10. BTSF presentation of the agenda and training dates and places of the new BTSF trainings

COM presented the agenda and dates and places of the new BTSF trainings for organic in 2022.

B.11. DG AGRI working document on additional official controls on products originating from certain third countries

COM presented a possible way forward to the Member States and discussed it with them.

B.12. Debriefing on meeting with ABs and CBs

COM informed the Member States on the meeting it organised on 18/19 October 2021 where recognised control bodies and accreditation bodies were convened.

B.13. E-SEAL – state of play in the EU and for imported products

The state of play of the enrolment in the EU and in third countries was presented by COM.

B.14. AOBs

COM replied to a number of questions asked by Member States.



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List of participants– Summary Record
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MEMBER STATE	MINISTRY or ORGANISATION	N° of Participants
BELGIQUE/BELGIË (Belgium)	Departement Landbouw en Visserij	1
BELGIQUE/BELGIË (Belgium)	SPW ARNE	1
БЪЛГАРИЯ (Bulgaria)	Ministry of Agriculture Food and Forestry	2
ČESKO (Czechia)	Ministry of Agriculture	1
DANMARK (Denmark)	Danish Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries - Danish Agricultural Agency	1
DANMARK (Denmark)	Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries - Danish Veterinary and Food Administration	2
DEUTSCHLAND (Germany)	Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture	3
DEUTSCHLAND (Germany)	Landesamt für Natur, Umwelt und Verbraucherschutz (LANUV)	1
EESTI (Estonia)	Ministry of Rural Affairs	2
EESTI (Estonia)	Agriculture and Food Board	1
ÉIRE/IRELAND (Ireland)	DAFM	2
ΕΛΛΑΔΑ (Greece)	MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOOD	1
ESPAÑA (Spain)	MINISTERIO DE AGRICULTURA, PESCA Y ALIMENTACIÓN	4
FRANCE (France)	DGCCRF Ministère de l'Economie	1

FRANCE (France)	INAO - Service Contrôles	1
FRANCE (France)	Ministère de l'agriculture (DGPE)	3
HRVATSKA (Croatia)	Ministry of Agriculture	2
ITALIA (Italy)	MIPAAF	2
ΚΥΠΡΟΣ (Cyprus)	Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Environment	1
LATVIJA (Latvia)	Ministry of Agriculture	2
LIETUVA (Lithuania)	Ministry of Agriculture	2
LUXEMBOURG (Luxembourg)	Administration des services techniques de l'agriculture	1
LUXEMBOURG (Luxembourg)	ASTA	2
MAGYARORSZÁG (Hungary)	Ministry of Agriculture	1
MALTA (Malta)	Ministry for Agriculture, Fisheries, Food and Animal Rights	2
NEDERLAND (Netherlands)	Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality	1
NEDERLAND (Netherlands)	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate control	1
ÖSTERREICH (Austria)	BMLRT	1
ÖSTERREICH (Austria)	AGES	1
POLSKA (Poland)	Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development	2
PORTUGAL	DGADR	1
ROMÂNIA	MADR	2

(Romania)		
SLOVENIJA (Slovenia)	Administration for Food Safety, Veterinary Sector and Plant Protection	1
SLOVENIJA (Slovenia)	MAFF	2
SLOVENSKO (Slovakia)	Central Control and Testing Institute in Agriculture in Bratislava	2
SLOVENSKO (Slovakia)	Department of Fruit and Organic Production - Central Control & Testing Institute in Agriculture	1
SUOMI/FINLAND (Finland)	Finnish Food Authority	3
SUOMI/FINLAND (Finland)	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry	1
SVERIGE (Sweden)	Swedish Board of Agriculture	2
SVERIGE (Sweden)	Swedish Food Agency	1
<i>ÍSLAND</i> (Iceland)	Iceland's Food and Veterinary Authority	1
<i>NOREG/NORGE</i> (Norway)	Norwegian Food Safety Authority	1
<i>NOREG/NORGE</i> (Norway)	Norwegian Ministry of Agriculture and Food	1
<i>SUISSE/SVIZZERA/SCHWEIZ</i> (Switzerland)	Federal Office for Agriculture	1
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<i>EFTA</i>		0