



## JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME

### CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION

#### Forty-fourth Session

#### Virtual

#### Matters related to other Codex Subsidiary bodies

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#### Codex Committee on General Principles

1. The 32<sup>nd</sup> Sessions of the Codex Committee on General Principles (CCGP32) was presented with two discussions paper prepared by France, one on monitoring the use of Codex standards<sup>1</sup> and one on monitoring Codex results in the context of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)<sup>2</sup>.
2. CCGP32 agreed to forward its considerations on these two items to the CCEXEC Strategic Planning subcommittee and CAC for consideration<sup>3</sup>.

#### Codex Committee on Fats and Oils

3. The 27<sup>th</sup> Session of the Codex Committee on Fats and Oils (CCFO27), which took place virtually between 18 and 26 October 2021, successfully concluded its work on sunflowerseed oil, which is forwarded to the Commission for final adoption (Step 5/8), and advanced its work on avocado oil, which it forwarded to the Commission for adoption at Step 5.
4. Due to the short time period between the completion of CCFO27 and CAC44, it was not possible to prepare the critical review or circulate the draft standards for adoption for a final round of comments. Therefore, these will be considered by CAC45.
5. CCFO27 forwarded four new work proposals for approval, namely work on high oleic acid soy bean oil, sacha inchi oil, and camellia oil, which would lead to revisions to the *Standard for Named Vegetable Oils* (CXS 210-1999) and new work on calanus oil, which would lead to a revision of the *Standard for Fish Oils* (CXS-239-2017). Based on the current practice and in order not to lose time, the electronic working groups are expected to immediately commence their work, pending the approval of the new proposals by CAC45.
6. CCFO27, on behalf of a Member, also requested guidance and advice from CCEXEC on the mechanisms that could be used to revise the *Standard for Milk Fat Products* (CXS 280-1973) with a view to aligning the maximum levels for copper and iron in ghee (butter oil) in CXS 280-1973 with those in the *Standard for Named Vegetable Oil* (CXS 210-1999).

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<sup>1</sup> CX/GP 21/32/7

<sup>2</sup> CX/GP 21/32/8 Rev.1

<sup>3</sup> REP21/GP, paragraphs 34-39 and 40-46