



JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME
FAO/WHO COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR EUROPE

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NOMINATION OF THE COORDINATOR

1. The procedures governing the appointment of a Coordinator, as amended by the 30th Session of the Commission (2007) and approved by the Directors-General of FAO and WHO, are laid down in Rule IV of the Rules of Procedure of the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

2. The amended Rule IV) reads as follows:

“IV.1 The Commission may appoint a Coordinator from among the Members of the Commission for any of the geographic locations enumerated in Rule III.1 (hereinafter referred to as “regions”) or for any group of countries specifically enumerated by the Commission (hereinafter referred to as “groups of countries”), whenever it may find, on the basis of a proposal of a majority of the Members of the Commission which constitute the region or group, that work for the Codex Alimentarius in the countries concerned so requires.

IV.2 Appointment of Coordinators shall be made exclusively on the proposal of a majority of the Members of the Commission which constitute the region or group of countries concerned. In principle, they shall be nominated at each session of the relevant Coordinating Committee established under Rule XI.1(b)(ii), and appointed at the following regular session of the Commission. They shall hold office from the end of this session. Coordinators may be reappointed for a second term. The Commission shall make such arrangements as may be necessary in order to ensure continuity in the functions of the Coordinators.

IV.3 The functions of the Coordinators shall be:

- (i) to appoint the Chairperson of the Coordinating Committee where such committee has been set up under Rule XI.1(b)(ii) for the region or group of countries concerned;
- (ii) to assist and coordinate the work of the Codex Committees set up under Rules XI.1(b)(i) in their region or group of countries in the preparation of draft standards, guidelines and other recommendations for submission to the Commission.
- (iii) to assist the Executive Committee and the Commission, as required, by advising them of the views of countries and recognized regional intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations in their respective regions on matters under discussion or of interest.

3. In accordance with Rule V.1 of the Rules of Procedure, as amended by the 28th Session of the Commission (2005), the Coordinators serve as members in the Executive Committee, together with the Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons as well as seven further members elected on a geographic basis. The geographic locations enumerated in Rule V.1 are as follows: Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean, Near East, North America and the South-West Pacific. The same Rule provides that not more than one delegate from any one country shall be a member of the Executive Committee.

4. At the time of writing, 52 members of the Codex Alimentarius Commission belong to the Region of Europe. These countries are:

Albania	Greece	Romania
Armenia	Hungary	Russian Federation
Austria	Iceland	San Marino
Azerbaijan	Ireland	Serbia
Belarus	Israel	Slovakia
Belgium	Italy	Slovenia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Kazakhstan	Spain
Bulgaria	Kyrgyzstan	Sweden
Croatia	Latvia	Switzerland
Cyprus	Lithuania	Tajikistan
Czech Republic	Luxembourg	The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Denmark	Malta	Turkey
Estonia	Moldova	Turkmenistan
European Union	Montenegro	Ukraine
Finland	Netherlands	United Kingdom
France	Norway	Uzbekistan
Georgia	Poland	
Germany	Portugal	

5. The Commission, at its 38th Session (2015), appointed the Netherlands as Coordinator for Europe¹ for its second term. The Netherlands, having served for two terms, four years by July 2017, will not be eligible for re-appointment.

6. The Committee is invited to nominate a Coordinator for Europe (one of the Member countries on the list above) for appointment by the 40th Session of the Commission (2017).

Coordinators for Europe

Coordinator	Country	Year of appointment	CAC Session	Duration appointment
Prof. O. Högl	Switzerland	1964	2 nd CAC	For a period of two years
Dr H. Frenzel	Austria	1965	3 rd CAC	For a period of three years
Dr. Richard Wildner	Austria	1966	4 th CAC	For a period of two years ²
Dr. Richard Wildner	Austria	1969	6 th CAC	From end of 6 th to end of 9 th CAC
Dr H. Woidich	Austria	1972	9 th CAC	From end of 9 th to end of 12 th CAC
Prof H. Woidich	Austria	1978	12 th CAC	From end of 12 th to end of 15 th CAC
Mr P. Rossier	Switzerland	1983	15 th CAC	From end of 15 th to end of 16 th CAC
Mr P. Rossier	Switzerland	1985	16 th CAC	From end of 16 th to end of 17 th CAC
Prof H. Woidich	Austria	1987	17 th CAC	From end of 17 th to end of 18 th CAC
Prof H. Woidich	Austria	1989	18 th CAC	From end of 18 th to end of 19 th CAC
Mrs. Barbro Blomberg	Sweden	1991	19 th CAC	From end of 19 th to end of 20 th CAC
Dr Stuart Slorach	Sweden	1993	20 th CAC	From end of 20 th to end of 21 st CAC
Dr Stuart Slorach	Sweden	1995	21 st CAC	From end of 21 st to end of 22 nd CAC
Mr Felipe Mittelbrunn Garcia	Spain	1997	22 nd CAC	From end of 22 nd to end of 23 rd CAC
Mr Felipe Mittelbrunn Garcia	Spain	1999	23 rd CAC	From end of 23 rd to end of 24 th CAC
Slovak Republic		2001	24 th CAC	From end of 24 th to end of 25 th CAC
Slovak Republic		2003	26 th CAC	From end of 26 th to end of 28 th CAC
Switzerland		2005	28 th CAC	From end of 28 th to end of 30 th CAC
Switzerland		2007	30 th CAC	From end of 30 th to end of 32 nd CAC

¹ REP15/CAC, para 185

² Because of the death of Dr H. Frenzel CAC4 (1966) appointed Dr R. Wildner for a period of two years

Coordinator	Country	Year of appointment	CAC Session	Duration appointment
Poland		2009	32 nd CAC	From end of 32 nd to end of 34 th CAC
Poland		2011	34 th CAC	From end of 34 th to end of 36 th CAC
The Netherlands		2013	36 th CAC	From end of 36 th to end of 38 th CAC
The Netherland		2015	38 th CAC	From end of 38 th to end of 40 th CAC