# CODEX ALIMENTARIUS COMMISSION





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# JOINT FAO/WHO FOOD STANDARDS PROGRAMME CODEX COMMITTEE ON RESIDUES OF VETERINARY DRUGS IN FOODS

**Twenty-third Session** 

Houston, Texas, United States of America, 17 - 21 October 2016

#### OUTLINE FOR THE SIDE EVENT ON ELECTRONIC PLATFORM FOR EWGS ONE YEAR ON

Wednesday 19th October 12.30-14.30

## **Background**

CCRVDF22 established 3 EWGS on: 1) a rating system for prioritizing CRVDF work; 2) a survey to understand which compounds should move to the JECFA priorities list, and 3) the carry-over of veterinary drugs into feed.

The Codex Secretariat proposed to trial the use of an online, open source bulletin board forum to manage these 3 EWGs<sup>1</sup>. One year on from the start of this pilot there are currently nearly 600 participants registered on the platform and 8 EWGs (also including EWGs created by CCFH, CCCPL, CCCF and CCFICS).

The side event will seek to understand the effectiveness and efficiency of this online tool and explore the best way to improve both participation and the quality of work carried out this way.

### Who should attend?

Delegates with or without experience of EWGs. Those who may be involved in enrolling participants or contributing to EWGs in the future. Those who took part in any of the CCRVDF EWGs and would like to share their experiences.

### What will you see?

# **Programme**

- A brief presentation of the Codex electronic platform to highlight the main features;
- A fact finding and lessons learned discussion;
- A Q&A session with the platform administrator, EWG host country representatives and all those
  present.

The side event will include interpretation if the plenary sessions do not require additional time beyond the current proposed schedule.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net