



🕒 **21 May 2024**

12:00-14:30 (CEST)

Modality - Virtual (Zoom)

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English and Spanish

Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems

Emerging Issues Intersessional Workshop

CCFICS

Background

- The purpose of the event is to elaborate on the issues identified in responses to the circular letter **CL 2023/66-FICS: Request for comments on Appendix A and proposals for new work on emerging issues** (deadline for comments 19 April).
- The workshop will be an opportunity to build consensus on potential topics for new work and their prioritisation in the agenda paper that CCFICS27 will consider under its standing agenda item Review and Update of Appendix A – The list of emerging global issues.
- It will also provide an opportunity to provide feedback on new work proposals currently under development by Members.

Objectives

- CCFICS has an agreed framework for the preliminary identification and assessment of potential areas of new work. It is managed via rotating custodianship of the standing agenda paper Review and Update of Appendix A – The list of emerging global issues (currently the United Kingdom).
- To date the framework has been implemented solely via a CL process seeking updates to the list of emerging issues. During the CCFICS plenary there has often been insufficient time to discuss the list. Noting this, CCFICS26 agreed to hold an intersessional workshop ahead of CCFICS27 to discuss the list of emerging issues identified via the CL process.
- Discussion papers on two emerging issues were presented to CCFICS26. The committee requested that updated discussion papers and project documents for the following topics be presented for further consideration at CCFICS27:
 - Development of guidance on an appeals mechanism in the context of rejection of imported food **CRD4**.
 - Development of guidance on standardisation of sanitary requirements **CRD15**.





Workshop Agenda

12:00	Welcome and Introduction
12:10	Discussion of newly identified emerging issues via CL 2023/66-FICS
12:40	Review of previously identified emerging issues on the list in Appendix A
13:10	Break
13:25	New work proposal requested by CCFICS26: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Development of guidance on standardisation of sanitary requirements.
13:50	New work proposal requested by CCFICS26: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Development of guidance on an appeals mechanism in the context of rejection of imported food.
14:15	Conclusions and next steps
14:30	Finish
