

EWG Invitation

This message is sent on behalf of Costa Rica, Chile and the United States of America.

Title: Standard for Quinoa

Committee: Codex Committee on Cereals, Pulses and Legumes (CCCPL)

Session:

Chair of EWG: Costa Rica

Co-Chairs: Chile and the United States of America

Working Languages: English and Spanish

Description of work: The Commission in the 41st session agreed:

- (i) adopt, subject to the endorsement of CCFL45, the draft standard for quinoa at Step 8, with the exception of the provisions for moisture content and grain size, which were returned to Step 6; and
- (ii) establish an EWG, chaired by Costa Rica, and co-chaired by Chile and the United States of America, working in English and Spanish, to continue the work on the provisions for moisture content and grain size.

Timetable for work

Activities	Work Schedule
Deadline for registration of participants.	15th September, 2018
First round - Deadline for the submission of the first draft of the document and request for comments to the EWG.	15th October, 2018
Deadline for receipt of comments on the first draft of the EWG document.	15th November, 2018
Second round - Deadline for the submission of the second draft of the document and request for comments to the EWG.	30th November, 2018
Deadline for receipt of comments on the second draft of the EWG document.	30th December, 2018
Deadline for delivery of the two pending provisions in the quinoa standard, as well as the EWG report, to CCCPL chair.	15th January, 2019

Email for registration: alasso@meic.go.cr; henry.kim@fda.hhs.gov Copy to: USSEC-CCCPL@fsis.usda.gov; cassandra.pacheco@achipia.gob.cl and codex@achipia.gob.cl

Registration deadline: 15th September 2018.

EWG online platform: Yes No

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this Electronic Working Group. When there is more than one expert, each country or observer organization shall designate **one** as the official representative to participate in the EWG.

Applications should be sent through the Codex Contact Point (CCP) of the member or recognized observer organization in an email detailing:

- participant's name

- official title or position
- organization or country
- email address.

The EWG platform

Link: <http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php>

Usergroup name: [CCPL-Quinoa2018]

The platform will require members to login. New participants to the platform should first register. ([online guide](#), [video tutorial](#))

Those participants who have previously registered on the platform can request to join the usergroup directly.

The EWG chair will give participants access to the group online once they have verified their credentials so please ensure that you follow the procedure for applications and email the chair through your CCP even if you are already registered on the platform.

We look forward to your participation.