

Electronic Working Group (EWG) Invitation

This message is sent on behalf of the Republic of Korea, China and Japan

Title of the EWG	Electronic Working Group on the establishment of the Codex standard for Laver products												
Committee	Codex Committee on Fish and Fishery products (CCFFP)												
Established by	CCFFP37 (2026)												
Chair of EWG	The Republic of Korea												
Co-Chairs	China and Japan												
Working Languages	English												
Description of work	See REP26/FFP, paragraph 47. The electronic working group have the following Terms of Reference: consider the outstanding issues in Sections 3.1.2, 7.1, 8.1 and 8.2 taking into account the discussions in CCFFP37 as well as comments submitted at Step 6.												
Timetable for work	The tentative timetable for the work is as follows: <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Tentative timetable for work</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>30 September 2026</td><td>Deadline for EWG registration</td></tr> <tr> <td>15 October 2026</td><td>Circulation of the first draft for comments</td></tr> <tr> <td>15 December 2026</td><td>Deadline for comments on the first round</td></tr> <tr> <td>1 February 2027</td><td>Circulation of the second draft for comments</td></tr> <tr> <td>31 March 2027</td><td>Deadline for comments on the second round</td></tr> </tbody> </table> If necessary, a third draft may be circulated for further comments. Final draft and EWG report submitted to the Codex Secretariat by no later than three months prior to CCFFP38. * Virtual working groups can be held as necessary.	Tentative timetable for work		30 September 2026	Deadline for EWG registration	15 October 2026	Circulation of the first draft for comments	15 December 2026	Deadline for comments on the first round	1 February 2027	Circulation of the second draft for comments	31 March 2027	Deadline for comments on the second round
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Email for registration	jwkim@kfri.re.kr with a copy to mofgim@korea.kr												
Registration deadline	30 September 2026												
EWG online platform	Yes												

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: **CCFFP37_laver products(2026)**

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.

Programme and timeline

The work programme and timelines will be circulated to members of the EWG soon after its establishment.

We look forward to your participation.

Dr. Changwon Park

Chair of EWG

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