

EWG Invitation

Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems (CCFICS)

This message is sent on behalf of India.

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| Title | Guidelines on appeal mechanism for the rejection of imported food |
| Committee | Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems (CCFICS) |
| Session | 27 |
| Chair of EWG | India |
| Co-Chairs | Nigeria, Australia, Chile, and Kenya |
| Working Languages | English |
| Description of work | The EWG will prepare proposed guidelines on appeal mechanism for the rejection of imported food for consideration by CCFICS28. As part of developing proposed guidelines, the EWG will consider the project document discussed at CCFICS27 |
| Timetable for work | February 2025 to March 2026 |
| Email for registration | codex-india@nic.in |
| Registration deadline | February 17, 2025 |
| EWG online platform | Yes |

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this EWG. 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: CCFICS – Rejection of imported food (2025)

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.

Technical support

For all technical assistance regarding the platform please contact the platform administrator (Codex Secretariat) using the Contact link on the platform homepage or via: codex@fao.org .

For more information on participating in Codex EWGs, see the [Codex Electronic Working Groups Handbook](#).

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.

EWG Chair: Dr. J. S. Reddy,

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