

CODEX COMMITTEE ON FATS AND OILS

Invitation to participate in the electronic Working Group (EWG) on the revision to the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CXS 210-1999) to Include Shea Butter oil

This message is sent on behalf of Nigeria, Ghana, India, and the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Title: EWG for the Revision to the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CXS 210-1999) to Include Shea Butter

Committee: Fats and Oils

Session: 29th SESSION OF THE CODEX COMMITTEE ON FATS AND OILS

Chair of EWG: Nigeria

Co-Chairs: Ghana, India, and the Kingdom of the Netherlands

Working Languages: English

Description of work: The EWG will prepare the proposed draft revision to the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CXS 210-1999) to include Shea Butter for circulation for comments at Step 3 and consideration by CCFO30 (tentative date March 2028). The report of the EWG will be submitted to the Codex Secretariat at least three months before CCFO30.

Timetable for work: September, 2026 to October, 2027

Email for registration: codexsecretariat@son.gov.ng; ibro736@yahoo.com;

Registration deadline: 30th August, 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: CCFO29 Shea Butter (2026)

The platform will require members to login. New participants to the platform should first register. (online guide, video tutorial) The EWG chair will give participants access to the usergroup 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. Once your CCP has sent your application you can request to join the EWG usergroup directly on the platform. You do not need to create a new registration if you have previously used the platform.

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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

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.

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