



## Electronic Working Group Invitation (EWG Invitation)

<b>Title</b>	Sampling plans for certain mycotoxins in selected spices
<b>Committee</b>	Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods
<b>Session</b>	16 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Chair of EWG</b>	India
<b>Working Language</b>	English
<b>Description of work</b>	The EWG should develop sampling plans for the determination of compliance with maximum levels for total aflatoxins and ochratoxin A in selected spices as agreed by CCCF16 (2022)
<b>Timetable for work</b>	The working paper should be submitted to the Codex Secretariat for distribution for comments and consideration by CCCF17 (2024) by <b>not later than 15 January 2024</b>
<b>Email for registration</b>	<a href="mailto:codex-india@nic.in">codex-india@nic.in</a> with a copy to <a href="mailto:sp-spices@fssai.gov.in">sp-spices@fssai.gov.in</a> and <a href="mailto:ccsch.bisht@gmail.com">ccsch.bisht@gmail.com</a>
<b>Registration deadline</b>	<b>25 August 2023</b>
<b>EWG online platform</b>	Yes

**NOTE:** Codex members and observers who have previously participated in the work of the EWG will automatically be included in the current EWG. Therefore, there is no need for them to register again. However, they should still confirm with the EWG Chair their desire to continue participating in the work of the EWG so that the List of Participants truly reflects the present membership of the EWG. If the member or observer remains interested in the work of the EWG but other delegates are designated to participate, they should register in the usual way as indicated below. New Codex members and observers should enrol in the usual way as described below.

### Procedure to register to EWGs

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>

User-Group name: **CCCF17:SPs-MCXsSpices**

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 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.

### Program 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.

Dinesh Singh Bisht, India (Chair)