



Electronic Working Group Invitation (EWG Invitation)

Title	Guidance for prevention or reduction of ciguatera poisoning
Committee	Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods
Session	17 th
Chair of EWG	United States of America
Co-Chairs	France, Panama, and Spain
Working Language	English
Description of work	The EWG should work on guidance (Code of practice or guidelines) to prevent and/or reduce ciguatera poisoning in foods
Timetable for work	The working paper should be submitted to the Codex Secretariat for distribution for comments and consideration by CCCF17 (2024) by not later than 15 January 2024
Email for registration	uscodex@usda.gov with a copy to Lauren.Robin@fda.hhs.gov , and Sara.Mcgrath@fda.hhs.gov
Registration deadline	25 August 2023
EWG online platform	Yes

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:CiguatoxinsFoods**

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.

Sara McGrath, USA (Chair), on behalf of France, Panama, and Spain (Co-Chairs)