Electronic Working Group Invitation (EWG Invitation)

Title: Maximum levels for lead in certain food categories
Committee: Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods
Session: 17th
Chair of EWG: Brazil
Working Language: English

Description of work:
The EWG should:

- work on MLs for lead in dried bark and dried culinary herbs; and
- consider the relevance of the note on moisture content to the ML for fresh culinary herbs.

The MLs will be circulated for comments and consideration by CCCF18 (2025).

In addition, Codex members and observers who may wish to join this EWG or are interested in the topic are invited to submit data in reply to the JECFA call for data available on the FAO and WHO websites to assist the EWG with its task.

- WHO: https://www.who.int/groups/joint-fao-who-expert-committee-on-food-additives-(jecfa)/calls-for-data

Timetable for work:
The working paper should be submitted to the Codex Secretariat by not later than 20 March 2025.

Email for registration: codexbrasil@inmetro.gov.br with a copy to ligia.schreiner@anvisa.gov.br and larissa.porto@anvisa.gov.br

Registration deadline: 30 September 2024

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: CCCF18:MLsLeadFoods
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.

Brazil (Chair)