CODEX COMMITTEE ON NUTRITION AND FOODS FOR SPECIAL DIETARY USES (CCNFSDU)

EWG Invitation

This message is sent on behalf of the European Union (EU).

Title  
Invitation to participate in the Electronic Working Group (EWG) on technological justification of food additives

Committee  
Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU)

Session  
43

Chair  
EU

Working Languages  
English

Description of work  
CCNFSDU43 agreed to establish an EWG with the following terms of reference:

a. to collect information from the applicants on the use and use levels and confirmation to provide data on the safety assessment for infants below 12 weeks of age on the following additives: guar gum (INS 412), distarch phosphate (INS 1412), phosphated distarch phosphate (INS 1413), acetylated distarch phosphate (INS 1414), hydroxypropyl starch (INS 1440);

b. to collect information from the applicants with the framework for considering technological justification for use in CXS 72-1981 on food additives for which the use, use levels and commitment to provide the data is confirmed; and

c. to review the information provided and provide recommendations to CCNFSDU44 on the technological justification of each additive.

Provisional timetable

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<td><strong>First circular</strong> addressing point (a) of the terms of reference, i.e. to collect information on the use and use levels and confirmation to provide data on the safety assessment</td>
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Email for registration  
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Registration deadline  
08 September 2023

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


Usergroup name: CCNFSDU43 TJFA

The platform will require members to login. New participants to the platform should first register. ([online guide](http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php), [video tutorial](http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php))

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.

Programme and timeline

More details will be circulated to members of the EWG together with the first circular.

We look forward to your participation.

European Union Codex Contact Point