Food Law Enforcement Practitioners Forum
Workshop on the Official Control of Food Supplements
27\textsuperscript{th}-28\textsuperscript{th} November 2017

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Belgian Food Safety Agency, Boulevard du Jardin Botanique 55, B-1000, Brussels, Belgium

DAY 1

08.45 Registration
09.30 Welcome to Belgium
09.35 Welcome and introduction to the Food Law Enforcement Practitioners (FLEP) by Chairman
\textit{Ray Ellard, Director, Risk Management & Regulatory Affairs, Food Safety Authority of Ireland}
09.50 Introduction to AFSCA and overview of official controls (general and on food supplements in particular) in Belgium
\textit{Emmanuelle Moons, AFSCA – Food Agency, Belgium}
10.25 \textbf{Food supplements - risk management challenges}
\textit{Judith O’Connor, Food Safety Authority of Ireland}

11.00 \textbf{Coffee/Tea}

11.30 \textbf{Negative side effects of food supplements}
\textit{Gwen VO VAN REGNAULT, ANSES - Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health & Safety, France}

12.00 \textbf{Food supplements in Europe – an industry perspective}
\textit{Michel Horn, CEO ORTIS Laboratories, Chair of the European Federation of Associations of Health Product Manufacturers (EHPM)}

12.30 \textbf{Monitoring: notification of placing food supplements on the market}
\textit{Päivi Levänti, Food Safety Authority EVIRA, Finland}

13.00 \textbf{Lunch}

14.00 \textbf{New developments for food supplements in Belgium: botanicals, nutrients and other substances}
\textit{Dominique de Clock, FPS, Federal Public Service, Belgium}

14.30 \textbf{Safe food supplements or medicinal products? Legal assessment of borderline products}
\textit{Evelyn Breitweg-Lehmann, Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety, Germany}
14.50  Official controls on food supplements throughout the food chain

Brief presentations by MS (10 minutes): 4-6 x MS on official control activity, experience, practical issues, challenges

• Dorothy Guina Dornan, Ireland
• Christina Møller, Denmark
• Stephen Hendry, Scotland

15.45  Coffee / Tea

16.00  Breakout sessions – please choose which topic group you would like to join:

1. How can the control of food supplements be made more efficient and/or effective?

2. What are your experiences with the classification and assessment of botanicals regarding to their use in food supplements. Different lists of substances, e.g. Belfrit-List and the possibility of a common approach.

3. Legal assessment of higher levels of vitamins and minerals in food supplements. How is the situation in the different MS? Do recommendations or maximum levels apply? Are they exceeded frequently?

4. How could we optimise the approach to deal with borderline-products marketed as food supplements? Possible strategies to identify medicinal products, (non-approved) novel foods and unsafe foods.

Practical questions for discussion by smaller groups

17.00  Plenary session – feedback from groups, outcomes and action points

17.30  Conclusions and arrangements for the evening by Chairman

Dinner, hosted by AFSCA will be in:

Belga Queen Brussels
Rue fossé aux loups 32
1000 Brussels
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DAY 2

09.00  European Commission
       Co-ordinated control programme on e-commerce & official controls on food supplements
       Georg Schreiber, Policy officer, European Commission

09.30  Safer shopping on the internet
       Denis Raschke, Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety, Germany

10.00  FLEP Working Group on e-commerce
       Dennis Raschke, Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety, Germany

11.00  Coffee/Tea

11.20  Sampling and analysis
       Jane Couper, Public Analyst, Tayside Scientific Services, Dundee City Council, Scotland

11.50  Forum outcomes

12.00  FLEP:
       FLEP Terms of Reference
       Election / confirmation of FLEP Steering Committee
       Proposals for future work
       Date and venue of next forum

13.00  Close of meeting by Chairman

Light refreshments will be provided.