



FOOD INGREDIENTS AND PACKAGING UNIT

## SCIENTIFIC PANEL ON FOOD CONTACT MATERIALS, ENZYMES AND PROCESSING AIDS (CEP)

### MINUTES OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON PREPARATION FOR RE-EVALUATION OF PHTHALATES, STRUCTURALLY SIMILAR SUBSTANCES AND REPLACEMENT SUBSTANCES

**Held on 12 February 2021,  
by TELE-conference**

**(Agreed on 18 February 2021)**

#### Participants

- Working Group Members:  
Laurence Castle (Chair), Claude Lambré, Gilles Rivière
  
- Hearing Experts<sup>1</sup>:  
Not Applicable
  
- European Commission and/or Member States representatives:  
Jonathan Briggs (DG SANTE)
  
- EFSA:  
FIP Unit: Katleen Baert, Claudia Roncancio Peña, Stavroula Sampani, Katharina Volk
  
- Others:  
ECHA: Birgit Ahrens, Evelin Fabjan, Elina Karhu, Ronan Nicolas, Letizia Polci

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<sup>1</sup> As defined in Article 15 of the Decision of the Executive Director concerning the selection of members of the Scientific Committee, the Scientific Panels, and the selection of external experts to assist EFSA with its scientific work:  
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## 1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants.

## 2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

## 3. Declarations of Interest of Working Groups members

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence<sup>2</sup> and the Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management,<sup>3</sup> EFSA screened the Annual Declarations of Interest filled out by the Working Group members invited to the present meeting. No Conflicts of Interest related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process, and no interests were declared orally by the members at the beginning of this meeting.

## 4. Agreement of the minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> Working Group meeting held on 09 February 2021, by TELE-conference.

The minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> Working Group meeting were agreed by written procedure on 18 February 2021.<sup>4</sup>

## 5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

### 5.1. Part 1 of a 2-part mandate on a re-evaluation of the risks to public health related to the presence of phthalates, structurally similar substances and replacement substances from food contact materials (FCMs) (EFSA-Q-2020-00725)<sup>5</sup>

The Working Group exchanged views regarding the draft pool of substances and draft prioritisation approach. Timelines of the workplan was discussed. Tasks were distributed.

## 6. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

## 7. Next meeting(s)

The date for the next meeting has still to be defined.

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<sup>3</sup> [http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate\\_publications/files/competing\\_interest\\_management\\_17.pdf](http://www.efsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/corporate_publications/files/competing_interest_management_17.pdf)

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/food-ingredients-and-packaging/working-groups>

<sup>5</sup> <http://registerofquestions.efsa.europa.eu/roqFrontend/questionLoader?question=EFSA-Q-2020-00725>



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The tasks related to the mandate and the background on the status of the preparatory work was presented to the experts. The Working Group exchanged views regarding the draft pool of substances and draft prioritisation approach.

## 5. Any Other Business

Not Applicable

## 6. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting is scheduled for 12 February 2021, via teleconference.

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