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Initial Task

- Mandatory
- High
- Low

Additional task

- High
- Medium
- Low

Your views?



New

31. FP supports capacity initiatives and framework programs between EFSA and MS-organizations (e.g. framework programs between EFSA and MS organisations which will allow a flexible cooperation for smaller projects)

32. Involvement (needs to be defined) in the **European Excellence Label (EEL)** elaborated by the AFDG on Capacity Building

Revised

Current

4.2 FP supports capacity building initiatives, including with international dimension (through e.g. support to national risk assessment training courses, identification of candidates, recommending tutors, supporting the setting up of consortia for G&P capacity building initiatives, and promoting the dissemination of training material).

4.5 With the training material prepared for the EU-FORA, FP organises national/regional trainings on data collection and transmission to EFSA

5.9 FP compiles a list of additional training needs related to data collection and data submission relevant to EFSA's remit in close cooperation with network representatives and data providers, and FP shall coordinate the organisation of training at national/ regional level

Revised

FP supports **capacity building initiatives**, including IPA, regional and international activities

FP **organises and/or facilitates the organisation of trainings in all areas** of relevance to EFSA, using EFSA's material and national material.

FP compiles a list of **training needs** relevant to EFSA's remit in close cooperation with networks representatives and Art. 36 organisations. FP shall support the organisation of training at national/regional level

Collaboration and partnerships

New

30. FP acts as a **scientific secretariat** in order to facilitate collaboration and partnership with ILMERAC and **other global networks under the remit of EFSA.**

20. Better tracking of **grant applications** from national providers and success/failure factors.

Revised

Current

1.6 FP inserts projects into the EURAA database, keeps them updated, and supports the creation of consortia by expressing interest in other projects

2.5 FP supports new partnerships and, when appropriate, the formation of consortia, including the exchange of information and implementation of research-oriented and research funding-oriented actions. To this end, FPs are encouraged to liaise with relevant national organisations that directly interact with research funders, for example the national contact points for Horizon 2020

Revised

FP acts as **main contact point at national level** for the **EURAA** database by promoting its use, and supporting organisations in proposing project ideas, expressing interests and forming consortia. FP also ensures that information is up to date.

FP works together with EFSA as **knowledge broker** and supports new **partnerships** and the **formation of consortia** through the available tools, including the exchange of information and implementation of research-actions and funding opportunities.

Knowledge and information management and support scientific production

New

Revised

Current

Revised

4. FP supports the implementation of EFSA tools and systems developed in line with the Transparency Regulation requirements, and reports bottlenecks when identified

3. FP supports national organisations in the identification of opportunities for the production of EFSA scientific opinions and their understanding of the RA methodologies in place.

1.1 Focal Point (FP) shares with EFSA, AF and FPs information on national planned Risk Assessment (RA) activities (including mandates) through the R4EU database.

1.2 FP shares relevant evidence (e.g. scientific outputs) and/or supporting documents (e.g. datasets) on EFSA's remit through the Knowledge Junction (KJ) and promotes its use through national networks e.g. through email, information sessions, training sessions, webinars, etc.

1.3 FP disseminates at national level or through the FP network, using the EFSA MS word template, requests for specific information sent by other FPs or EFSA or originating from his/her own country, respectively.

1.4 FP disseminates at national level, by email or other tools (e.g. FP Webpages, newsletters, Social Media, intranets), other information (e.g. calls for expressions of interest, Grant & Procurement (G&P) calls, calls for data, events) submitted to the FP network by EFSA and/or other FPs and disseminates to EFSA and other FPs, using the same tools, information about national, regional or international scientific cooperation activities.

2.8 FP supports the mapping of national organisations, beyond Art.36 organisations, including the identification of competences)

Focal Point (FP) collects at national level and shares with EFSA, AF and FPs information on **national planned Risk Assessment (RA)** activities (including mandates) through the R4EU database.

FP facilitates sharing of evidence and/or supporting documents (e.g. scientific outputs, datasets) through the relevant **publishing tools** used by EFSA

FP disseminates at national level or through the FP network, using the established procedure, requests for specific **information** sent by other FPs or EFSA or originating from his/her own country, respectively.

Upon dissemination requests from EFSA and/or other FP, the **FP targets relevant national actors through available channels.**

FP supports the **mapping of expertise**, also beyond Art.36 organisations, including the identification of competences relevant for EFSA's work (e.g. through TIM tool, Academia initiative, EEL)

New

24. FP to provide support to the national representatives in the AF and MB.

Revised

Current

6.3 FP supports the AF member in the identification of national representatives for the FP network and EFSA's scientific networks.

2.2 FP liaises with organisations and facilitates processes at national level and with EFSA, in line with described procedures, to ensure that all organisations on the list of competent organisations meet the criteria and information in the profiles is updated regularly, at least every 3 years.

6.1 FP liaises with Advisory Forum (AF) member, exchanging relevant information concerning AF, FP and scientific network activities

Revised

FP coordinates with the AF member in the identification and the **nomination process** of national representatives for the FP network, EFSA's scientific networks and ad-hoc experts (e.g. for AFDG's, task forces, workshops, seconded experts etc.).

FP acts as **facilitator of information exchange** regarding scientific networks' activities between Advisory Forum (AF), **Management Board**, and network members' organisations.

FP liaises with organisations and facilitates the **processes of inclusion in the competent organisation list (Art. 36)** at national level and with EFSA, in line with described procedures and through the use of the available tool. FP ensures that all organisations on the list of competent organisations meet the criteria and information in the profiles is updated regularly, at least every 3 years.



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