



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OFFICE

## CLARIFICATION N°3

**Call reference:** GP/EFSA/ED/2022/01

**Call title:** NAM projects in the areas of AOP development and transcriptomics for risk assessment

**Question:** As part of the eligibility criteria, the call mentions that "The applicant and in case of consortium also its partner/s must be on the list of competent organizations designated by the Member States in accordance with Art 36 of Regulation (EC) 178/2002 and Commission Regulation (EC) 2230/2004. Applicants or partners not currently on the list may apply to be included but they must be formally accepted and included on the Art 36 list by the EFSA Management Board before the deadline for submitting outline proposals for step 1 of this call."

Can you please inform about the procedure to follow for academic institutions to become included in the abovementioned list? Would it still be possible to complete this procedure in time given the deadline for the first step (26 September)?

**Answer:**

Please consult [EFSA website](#) for detailed information on the list of competent organizations. Please note that organizations may be considered as competent organizations if they:

- are active in fields within EFSA's mission;
- fulfil a set of eligibility criteria, ensuring for example independence and scientific expertise; and
- are designated by a Member State for inclusion in the List of Competent Organisations.

An organization interested in joining the list should contact its national Focal Point, which will explain the procedure. Contact details of the Focal Points are available on the EFSA website [here](#).

The List of Competent Organizations is updated continuously by EFSA's Management Board which meets regularly four times a year.