
BIOCONTAM UNIT

Scientific Panel on Biological Hazards

Minutes of the 6th meeting of the Working Group on the public health risks related to the maintenance of the cold chain during storage and transport of meat

**Held on 25/03/2014, WEB
(Agreed on 28/03/2014)**

Participants

- **Working Group Experts:**
 - Declan Bolton
 - Kostas Koutsoumanis
 - Roland Lindqvist
 - Truls Nesbakken
- **Hearing Experts:**
 - Laurent Guillier
- **EFSA:**
 - BIOCONTAM Unit: Michaela Hempen

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed the participants. Apologies were received from Laurent Guillier.

2. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

3. Declarations of interest

In accordance with EFSA's Policy on Independence and Scientific Decision-Making Processes¹ and the Decision of the Executive Director implementing this Policy regarding Declarations of Interests², EFSA screened the Annual Declaration of interest and the Specific Declaration of interest) filled in by the experts invited for the present meeting. No conflicts of interests related to the issues discussed in this meeting have been identified during the screening process or at the Oral Declaration of interest at the beginning of this meeting.

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5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1 Topic n°1 ([EFSA-Q-2013-648](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-648) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will take place on 18 June 2014.

BIOCONTAM UNIT

Scientific Panel on Biological Hazards

Minutes of the 5th meeting of the Working Group on the public health risks related to the maintenance of the cold chain during storage and transport of meat

**Held on 11/02/2014, WEB
(Agreed on 11/02/2014)**

Participants

- **Working Group Experts:**
 - Declan Bolton
 - Kostas Koutsoumanis
 - Roland Lindqvist
 - Truls Nesbakken
- **Hearing Experts:**
 - Laurent Guillier
- **EFSA:**
 - BIOCONTAM Unit: Michaela Hempen

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

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5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1 Topic n°1 ([EFSA-Q-2013-646](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-646) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

5.2 Topic n°2 ([EFSA-Q-2013-648](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-648) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will take place on 25 March 2014.

BIOCONTAM UNIT

Scientific Panel on Biological Hazards

Minutes of the 4th meeting of the Working Group on the public health risks related to the maintenance of the cold chain during storage and transport of meat

**Held on 21/01/2014, Parma
(Agreed on 24/01/2014)**

Participants

- **Working Group Experts:**
 - Declan Bolton
 - Kostas Koutsoumanis
 - Roland Lindqvist
 - Truls Nesbakken
- **Hearing Experts:**
 - Laurent Guillier
- **EFSA:**
 - BIOCONTAM Unit: Michaela Hempen, Pablo Romero Barrios

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

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5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1 Topic n°1 ([EFSA-Q-2013-646](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-646) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

5.2 Topic n°2 ([EFSA-Q-2013-648](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-648) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will take place on 11 February 2014.

BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS UNIT

Scientific Panel on Biological Hazards

Minutes of the 3rd meeting of the Working Group on the public health risks related to the maintenance of the cold chain during storage and transport of meat

**Held on 12/12/2013, Web-meeting
(Agreed on 12/12/2013)**

Participants

- **Working Group Experts:**
 - Declan Bolton
 - Kostas Koutsoumanis
 - Roland Lindqvist
 - Truls Nesbakken
- **Hearing Experts:**
 - Laurent Guillier
 - Lieven De Zutter
- **EFSA:**
 - BIOHAZ Unit: Michaela Hempen, Pablo Romero Barrios
 - CONTAM Unit: Katleen Baert

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

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5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1 Topic n°1 ([EFSA-Q-2013-646](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-646) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

5.2 Topic n°2 ([EFSA-Q-2013-648](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-648) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will take place on 21 January 2014.

BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS UNIT

Scientific Panel on Biological Hazards

Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Working Group on the public health risks related to the maintenance of the cold chain during storage and transport of meat

**Held on 14/11/2013, Web-meeting
(Agreed on 15/11/2013)**

Participants

- **Working Group Experts:**
 - Declan Bolton
 - Kostas Koutsoumanis
 - Roland Lindqvist
 - Truls Nesbakken
- **Hearing Experts:**
 - Laurent Guillier
- **EFSA:**
 - BIOHAZ Unit: Michaela Hempen, Pablo Romero Barrios
- **EC:**
 - Arie Ottevanger

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

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5. Scientific topic(s) for discussion

5.1 Topic n°1 ([EFSA-Q-2013-646](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-646) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

5.2 Topic n°2 ([EFSA-Q-2013-648](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-648) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next web-meeting will take place on 12 December 2013.

BIOLOGICAL HAZARDS UNIT

Scientific Panel on Biological Hazards

Minutes of the 1st meeting of the Working Group on the public health risks related to the maintenance of the cold chain during storage and transport of meat

**Held on 10/09/2013, Parma
(Agreed on 16/09/2013)**

Participants

- **Working Group Experts:**
 - Declan Bolton
 - Kostas Koutsoumanis
 - Roland Lindqvist
 - Truls Nesbakken
- **Hearing Experts:**
 - Laurent Guillier
- **EFSA:**
 - BIOHAZ Unit: Michaela Hempen, Pablo Romero Barrios

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

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5.2 Topic n°2 ([EFSA-Q-2013-648](#))

The ToRs of the mandate (EFSA-Q-2013-648) were discussed in detail. A preliminary table of contents was agreed. Experts were assigned to develop the chapters in the draft opinion.

7. Next meeting(s)

The next meeting will take place in week 46 as web meeting (day to be confirmed).