

Electronic Working Group Invitation (EWG Invitation)

This message is sent on behalf of the United States of America.

Title	Code of practice for the reduction of 3-monochloropropane-1,2-diol esters (3-MCPDEs) and glycidyl esters (GEs) in refined oils and food products made with refined oils
Committee	Codex Committee on Contaminants in Foods
Session	12 th
Chair of EWG	USA
Co-Chairs	European Union and Malaysia
Working Languages	English
Description of work	<p>CCCF12 (2018) agreed to establish an EWG to revise the COP based on the comments and information submitted by Codex members and observers at CCCF12 and to resolve all outstanding issues as identified in the discussion and sections in square brackets (REP18/CF, paragraphs 99-102 and Appendix VI) in order to submit a new draft for consideration by CCCF13 (2019).</p> <p>The COP will encompass measures applicable to agricultural practices, oil milling and refining processes, and source and use of the refined oils in food products made from these oils. The work will build on already existing codes of practice or toolboxes to mitigate 3-MCPDE and GE in oils and food products made from these oils.</p>
Timetable for work	The COP should be submitted to the Codex Secretariat for distribution and consideration by not later than 1 February 2019 .
Email for registration	eileen.abt@fda.hhs.gov with a copy to uscodex@fsis.usda.gov
Registration deadline	31 August 2018
EWG online platform	Yes X No <input type="checkbox"/>

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this EWG. When there is more than one expert, each country or observer organization shall designate **one** as the official representative to participate in the EWG.

Applications should be sent through the Codex Contact Point (CCP) of the member or recognized observer organization in an email detailing:

- participant's name
- official title or position
- organization or country
- email address

The EWG platform

Link: <http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php>

User-Group name: **CCCF13:COP-3MCPDEs&GEs**

The platform will require members to login. New participants to the platform should first register ([online guide](#), [video tutorial](#))

Those participants who have previously registered on the platform can request to join the user-group directly.

The EWG Chair will give participants access to the group online once they have verified their credentials so please ensure that you follow the procedure for applications and email the chair through your CCP even if you are already registered on the platform.

Programme and timeline

The work programme and timelines will be circulated to members of the EWG soon after its establishment.

We look forward to your participation.

Eileen Abt, USA (Chair)