

Electronic Working Group Invitation (EWG Invitation)

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

Title	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revision of the Classification of Food and Feed• Definition of animal tissues to facilitate the establishment of maximum residue limits (MRLs) for compounds with dual uses (i.e. pesticides and veterinary drugs)
Committee	Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues
Session	50 th
Chair of EWG	The United States of America
Co-Chair	The Netherlands
Working Languages	English
Description of work	<p>CCPR50 agreed the EWG will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue the work on the revision of Class C, Animal Feed Commodities, based on the structure provided in REP50/PR, Appendix X.• Consider the proposal to add subgroups to the groups that would include processed commodities (including the possible relocation of commodities from Class D to Class C).• Consider new commodities for Class C.• Initiate work on Type 12 Secondary food commodities of plant origin in Class D.• Assign codes to miscellaneous commodities. <p>Following the recommendation of CCEXEC73 (2017)¹ on closer cooperation between CCPR and CCRVDF on issues of mutual interest for compounds used as both pesticides and veterinary drugs and the exploration of innovative ways to foster such collaboration as well as the discussions and decisions of CCPR50 (2018)² and CCRVDF24 (2018)³ in this regard, CCEXEC75 (2018)⁴ made a joint recommendation to the CCPR/EWG on the revision of the Classification and the CCRVDF/EWG on the definition of edible animal tissues that, in addition to their existing terms of reference, both EWGs will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• work closely on the definition of edible animal tissues to develop a harmonized definition that would facilitate the establishment of MRLs for pesticides and veterinary drugs.
Timetable for work	The discussion paper should be submitted to the Codex Secretariat for distribution and consideration by CCPR51 by not later than 1 February 2019
Email for registration	uscodex@fsis.usda.gov with a copy to info@codexalimentarius.nl
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>

UserGroup name: **CCPR-Classification (2018)**

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 usergroup 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.

Bill Barney, USA (Chair)

Dorin Poelmans, Netherlands (Vice-Chair)

¹ REP17/EXEC2, paragraph 19

² REP18/PR, paragraphs 9 and 152

³ REP18/RVDF paragraphs 7, 8, 9 and 95

⁴ REP18/EXEC1, paragraphs 27-28