

European Union comments
CODEX COMMITTEE ON FISH AND FISHERY PRODUCTS
Codex Circular Letter CL 2020/61/OCS (REV)-FFP
"Proposed Amendment of the Standard for Canned Sardines and
Sardine-Type Products (CXS 94-1981)"

European Union competence
European Union vote

The European Union would like to submit the following amendments:

1. Chair of the eWG

With a purpose of ensuring objectivity and neutrality, the eWG should not be chaired exclusively by the Member who submitted the proposal. Another interested country should be nominated as chair or as co-chair.

2. Terms of reference of the eWG

We propose the following modification:

The proposed Terms of Reference of the EWG is to “evaluate if the Standard for Canned Sardines and Sardine-Type Products (CXS 94-1981) can be amended with a view to include the fish species Sardinella lemuru (Bali Sardinella) in the list of Sardinella species under section 2.1.” by following the Procedure for the Inclusion of Additional Species in Codex Standards for Fish and Fishery Products and:

a. Examine the documentation submitted by the proponent with the view of assessing its conformity with the inclusion procedure.

b. ~~Decide-Examine upon~~ three species, the most representatives of the market, to be compared with the candidate species and propose three laboratories for sensory evaluation, taking into account the species and the laboratories suggested by the proponent.

c. ~~b.~~ Oversee the sensory evaluation of the product in accordance with the Procedure for the Inclusion of Additional Species in Codex Standards for Fish and Fishery Products in the Procedural Manual, in particular paragraphs 2.2(b), 2.3, 3.3 and 4.

ed. The EWG will work using the Codex e-Forum, and prepare a report on its findings, conclusions and recommendations to the CCFFP by 1 September 2021.