



# Food Chain in the Digital Single Market

## Conclusions

- A large diversity of presentations and subjects but with an overall coherence and aim: streamlining processes
- We are building IT services today but will have to keep in mind they have to adapt to the longer term perspectives (EU food safety and nutrition 2050)
- Long term evolution of IT tools will need further evolutions of the EU legal bases. Reviewing regularly the implementing acts of our base regulations is a realistic option.
- Important and “Impacting” changes will be available from tomorrow (electronic certification in a paperless control environment starts in 2017). These changes can already bring a revolution in the way control operations are managed.
- Integration between national and EU environment for a more clever and predictive control system foreseen for 2020 (IMSOC through the implementation of the Official Control Regulation). Synergy in automated risk based approaches can raise efficiency in interception of non-compliant goods.
- International organisations are following the same path; EU should join and coordinate efforts with them.
- Emerging challenges for the official control are being tackled: The eCommerce is an example of how successful and beneficial is the sharing of knowledge and experience between the more advanced countries and the other EU Member States.
- New legal environment (eIDAS) and associated EU wide architectures will help us to better interoperate and will remove barriers to allow the streamlining of our import-export processes.
- International standardisation efforts, both at semantic and technical level, have made very important progress in these last years and are allowing our EU IT systems to speak easily together as well as with non-EU commercial partners. This is a key asset for future success.