



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Health and Food Safety Directorate General

sante.g.3(2024)8752662

Regulatory Committee 2009/41/EC
25 September 2024

CIRCABC Link: https://circabc.europa.eu/ui/group/47075858-2b2d-4be4-b426-80fb29f081ac/library/9748727c-1774-473e-a59e-cea09b729feb?p=1&n=10&sort=name_ASC

SUMMARY REPORT

A.01 Questionnaire on reporting on the experience of Member States with Directive 2009/41 on the contained use of genetically modified micro-organisms for the period 2022- 2024 – Commission presentation and discussion.

The Commission presented the draft questionnaire for the next 3-year reporting in accordance with the requirements of Article 17(2) of the Directive and informed the Committee of further steps on this reporting. No Member State raised questions.

Member States were invited to provide written comments on the draft questionnaire by 16 October 2024. The reporting will be launched by the end of this year inviting Member States to reply to the questionnaire on their experience with the Directive by the end of February 2025.

A.02 Scientific opinion on new developments in biotechnology applied to microorganisms - EFSA presentation and discussion.

EFSA presented the scientific opinion on new developments in biotechnology applied to microorganisms which was published on 22 July 2024 (EC mandate, M-2022-00146) and addressed questions raised by Member States.

A few Member States asked for clarifications on the future implementation of the recommendations of the opinion. In this context, EFSA raised awareness on its new guidance for the characterisation and risk assessment of microorganisms used in the food chain which would be opened for public consultation shortly.

A.03 New developments in biotechnology applied to animals – EFSA presentation on horizon scanning and state of play.

EFSA informed the Committee on the on-going work on new developments in biotechnology applied to animals and presented the first output (EC mandate M-2018-0205 on horizon scanning activities on new developments in biotechnology applied to animals).

Member States were informed that the draft opinion will be discussed in the EFSA open plenary meeting of the GMO Panel which takes place from 13 to 14 November 2024, and encouraged to contribute to the public consultation on the draft opinion which will be launched by the end of 2024 or early 2025.

