

**ANNEX****2018 Annual Work Programme in the Food and Feed Area****1. INTRODUCTION**

This work programme contains implementing measures for the year 2018. On the basis of the objectives given in Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, this work programme 2018 contains the actions to be financed and the budget breakdown as follows:

Indicative actions	Indicative amount
Grants (6)	3 700 000 EUR
Procurements (17)	7 575 727 EUR
Administrative Arrangements (2)	420 000 EUR
Other Actions (2)	800 000 EUR
<b>TOTAL (27)</b>	<b>12 495 727 EUR</b>

**2. GRANTS**

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for grants with this work programme 2018 amounts to 3 700 000 EUR.

**2.1. Legal basis**

Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, Article 35

**2.2. Budget line**

budget 2018 - 17.0403: 3 700 000 EUR

**2.3. Indicative list of envisaged actions**

Actions	Estimated no of action	Indicative date of launch	Indicative amount (in EUR)
EU contribution to the joint FAO/WHO meetings on pesticides residues (JMPR); on food additives, contaminants and veterinary drugs (JECFA); and on microbiological risk assessment (JEMRA) for a period of three years 2018 – 2020	1 grant agreement	2nd Q 2018	420 000

Coordinated Control Plan for AMR for 2018	28 grant decisions	1st Q 2018	2 100 000
EU support to maintaining the content and enhancing the EPPO code content and system to meet new EU and global needs	1 grant agreement	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2018	150 000
OIE global conferences, regional seminars, meetings, workshops and awareness activities on animal health and welfare	1 grant agreement	2 <sup>nd</sup> half 2018	700 000
Re-design of the World Animal Health Information System	1 grant agreement	Q1 2018	250 000
Support to the European Federation of Food Banks in expanding and strengthening its network in the EU	1 grant agreement	Q1 2018	80 000

#### 2.4. Description, objectives and foreseen results of the implementing measures

In compliance with Article 190(1)(f) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 all grants included in the indicative list of envisaged actions will be awarded without a call for proposals to international organizations active in the field or to competent authorities in charge of food safety in the participating Member States without a call for proposals as they are the bodies best positioned to implement the activities, meet the objectives, and deliver the expected results with regards to their technical competence and high degree of specialization.

***EU contribution to the joint FAO/WHO meetings on pesticides residues (JMPR); on food additives, contaminants and veterinary drugs (JECFA); and on microbiological risk assessment (JEMRA) for a period of three years 2018 – 2020***

When developing standards, Codex committees apply risk analysis and rely on the independent scientific risk assessment provided by joint expert bodies of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO). These bodies also give advice to Member governments. Scientific advice provided by these expert committees forms the basis for the setting of Codex Standards. The severe financial problems faced by the organizations for the scientific advice program no longer allow them to respond to all requests for scientific advice brought forth by the Codex Alimentarius Commission. This has been a serious concern for Codex Members and so far no sustainable solution has been found. Given the importance of the provision of sound and independent scientific advice for a standard-setting international organisation, efforts need to be undertaken by Codex Members to provide support for scientific advice activities in order to be able to support the work of Codex. The EU should participate to the funding of such

activities by providing funds specifically aimed at the implementation of the biennial work-plan for scientific advice of FAO/WHO.

DG SANTE intends to support the joint FAO/WHO meetings on pesticides residues (JMPR); on food additives, contaminants and veterinary drugs (JECFA); and on microbiological risk assessment (JEMRA) for a period of three years 2018 – 2020.

*Objective:* Increase the outputs of the Joint FAO/WHO risk assessment bodies' meetings (JMPR, JEMRA, JECFA) over a three-year period..

*Expected results:* Sound scientific advice provided by the FAO/WHO expert meetings as a basis for the setting of Codex Standards.

### ***Coordinated Control Plan for antimicrobial resistance (AMR) for 2018***

Directive 2003/99/EC<sup>1</sup> of the European Parliament and of the Council provides that Member States shall ensure that monitoring provides comparable data on the occurrence of AMR in zoonotic agents and, in so far as they present a threat to public health, other agents.

The 2011 Action Plan against the rising threats from AMR introduced an action to strengthen surveillance systems on AMR and antimicrobial consumption on animal medicine. In this regard, Decision 2013/652/EU<sup>2</sup> was adopted detailing the rules for the harmonised monitoring and reporting of antimicrobial resistance (AMR) to be carried out by Member States. The Decision covers the period 2014-2020.

The new One Health Action Plan on AMR published in July 2017 proposes a review of the EU implementing legislation on monitoring AMR in zoonotic and commensal bacteria in farm animals and food to take into account new scientific developments and data collection needs beyond 2020.

*Objective:* Co-financing of the coordinated control plan for antimicrobial resistance monitoring which will include all Member States.

*Expected results:* Harmonized control plan for monitoring resistance in the food chain in order to increase consumers' confidence and assess evolution of resistance in the food chain.

### ***EU support to maintaining the content and enhancing the EPPO code content and system to meet new EU and global needs***

Currently the European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization (EPPO) database does not include all species from other continents. These need to be regularly and quickly updated when the need arises so that electronic exchanges of phytosanitary certificates in third countries can remain effective.

This action will also reinforce the EPPO assets to be recognised at international level and thus give a competitive advantage to the EU vision in the way official controls are performed.

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<sup>1</sup> Directive 2003/99/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 November 2003 on the monitoring of zoonoses and zoonotic agents, amending Council Decision 90/424/EEC and repealing Council Directive 92/117/EEC. OJ 12.12.2003, p. 31.

<sup>2</sup> Commission Implementing Decision of 12 November 2013 on the monitoring and reporting of antimicrobial resistance in zoonotic and commensal bacteria. OJ 14.11.2013, p. 26.

The advantage of the EPPO approach is that it ensures the link with the potential pests and their cure, which makes this database a unique knowledge base in the fields of phytosanitary activities and linked risk assessments.

*Objective:* Give the means to EPPO to further develop and maintain an internationally recognised database of plant species. Ensure that the functionality of their system allows a full flexibility in terms of communication with the EC systems making use of the reference data.

*Expected results:* Place Europe and EPPO as a world reference point on master data to be used in the phytosanitary process and automate the transmission of requests and response between the EPPO master data system and the EU systems.

***World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) global conferences, regional seminars, meetings, workshops and awareness activities on animal health and welfare***

The World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) is an intergovernmental organisation responsible for improving animal health worldwide. In order to improve the animal health status worldwide and consequently lower the animal disease risk in the EU, it is important that the EU approach to animal health and welfare be shared with all member countries of the OIE and that the EU actively supports conferences, training seminars and meetings and activities organised by the OIE in order to promote the Union's animal health and welfare policy at the occasion.

Global Conference on Aquatic Animals; OIE Global Conference on WAHIS (World Animal Health Information System); a platform for the future; OIE Global Health Security meeting; OIE Regional Seminars for national Focal Points of Europe (Veterinary Products); OIE Regional Seminars for national Focal Points of Europe (Animal Welfare); OIE Regional Seminars for national Focal Points of Europe (Veterinary Laboratory); OIE Regional Seminars for national Focal Points of Europe (WAHIS basic and advanced); OIE Regional Seminars on OIE Disease Status & Endorsed Control Programmes Recognition; OIE Regional Seminar on Standards (Francophone Africa); OIE Regional meetings, seminars, workshops and awareness activities of the OIE animal welfare platform for Europe; OIE Regional meetings, seminars, workshops and awareness activities of the Middle East animal welfare action plan; OIE Regional meetings/workshops on animal welfare for the Americas; Regional meetings and activities for the coordination of FMD control in Northern Africa (REMESA); Implementation of FMD global strategy with FAO and EuFMD - FMD Roadmap meetings in Eastern Europe/Central Asia, North Africa and Middle East and other activities; Implementation of PPR Global Eradication Programme – PPR Roadmap meetings in Eastern Europe/Central Asia, North Africa and Middle East.

*Objective:* Share the EU approach to animal health and welfare and veterinary public health with all members of the OIE through the promotion of the Union's policy at conferences, training seminars and meetings and activities organised by the OIE. Consequently, to improve the animal health, welfare and veterinary public health status worldwide and lower the risk for the EU.

*Expected results:* Increased awareness and approximation with the Union's animal health and welfare policy and improved animal health and welfare standards in

neighbouring countries and throughout the OIE region of Europe; thus, lower the risk of animal disease incursion in the EU.

***Re-design of the World Animal Health Information System (WAHIS)***

The World Animal Health Information System (WAHIS) provides public access to all data regarding OIE-listed diseases as soon as they are validated by the OIE. This extensive database is a cornerstone in the efforts to improve the transparency, efficiency and speed with which animal health information is disseminated throughout the world.

*Objective:* Participate actively in the inception phase of the redesign of the WAHIS system together with the other donors.

*Expected results:* Active EU contribution to the process of development of the future WAHIS to ensure transparency, efficiency and speed in the dissemination of animal health information throughout the world.

***Support to the European Federation of Food Banks in expanding and strengthening its network in the EU***

Through the recovery and redistribution of safe, surplus food which might otherwise be wasted, the European Federation of Food Banks (FEBA) seeks to fight food poverty and prevent food waste. FEBA is committed to the facilitation of food donation in the EU, including lifting of legal and operational barriers, whilst leveraging learning and best practice between its members. As focus on food waste prevention increases and more businesses engage in food donation activities, it is important that food banks continue to build their skills and capacity to recover and redistribute foods in a safe and efficient manner. The grant to be awarded by DG SANTE will support activities related to training as well as an annual meeting of the network.

*Objective:* Sharing of best practice and knowledge amongst FEBA's member organisations through support to its activities. Building members' expertise and ensuring these organisations are effective and professional food redistribution partners to the food industry.

*Expected results:* Increased amounts of edible, surplus food, redistributed for human consumption, thereby preventing food waste and helping to fight food poverty in the EU.

## 2.5. Implementation

***EU contribution to the joint FAO/WHO meetings on pesticides residues (JMPR); on food additives, contaminants and veterinary drugs (JECFA); and on microbiological risk assessment (JEMRA) for a period of three years 2018 – 2020***

*Implementation:* directly by DG SANTE.

*Maximum EU co-financing rate:* 50% of the eligible costs.

*Award criteria:* Relevance of the proposal to the objectives of the action, consistency and adequacy of the resources allocated.

The grant is to be awarded to the World Health Organisation (WHO) without a call for proposals since the WHO is the body best positioned to implement the activities, meet the objectives, and deliver the expected results.

***Coordinated Control Plan for antimicrobial resistance (AMR) for 2018***

*Implementation:* directly by DG SANTE.

*Maximum EU co-financing rate:* 50% of the eligible costs/ 75% of the eligible costs in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 652/2014, Article 5.

*Award criteria:* Relevance of the proposal to the objectives of the action.

The grants are to be awarded to the competent authorities in charge of food safety in the participating Member States without a call for proposals as they are the sole bodies in a position to implement the activities, meet the objectives, and deliver the expected results.

***EU support to maintaining the content and enhancing the EPPO code content and system to meet new EU and global needs***

*Implementation:* directly by DG SANTE.

*Maximum EU co-financing rate:* 50% of the eligible costs.

*Award criteria:* Relevance of the proposal to the objectives of the action, consistency and adequacy of the resources allocated.

The grant is to be awarded to the European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization (EPPO) without a call for proposals as the EPPO is the body best positioned to implement the activities, meet the objectives, and deliver the expected results.

***World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) global conferences, regional seminars, meetings, workshops and awareness activities on animal health and welfare***

*Implementation:* directly by DG SANTE.

*Maximum EU co-financing rate:* 50%, 75% of the eligible costs.

*Award criteria:* Relevance of the proposal to the objectives of the activities of capacity building of Member States and Third Country officials in relation to the EU policy and OIE standards on animal health, animal welfare and veterinary public health. Impact of the expected results of the proposal on the general objectives of lowering the animal disease risk in the EU and promoting the EU policy and OIE

standards on animal health, animal welfare and veterinary public health as regards products imported from Third Countries.

The grant is to be awarded to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) without a call for proposals since the OIE is the body best positioned to implement the activities, meet the objectives, and deliver the expected results.

***Re-design of the World Animal Health Information System (WAHIS)***

*Implementation:* directly by DG SANTE.

*Maximum EU co-financing rate:* 50% of the eligible costs.

*Award criteria:* Relevance of the proposal to the objectives of the action, consistency and adequacy of the resources allocated.

The grant is to be awarded to the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) without a call for proposals since the OIE is the body best positioned to implement the activities, meet the objectives, and deliver the expected results.

***Support to the European Federation of Food Banks in expanding and strengthening its network in the EU***

*Implementation:* directly by DG SANTE.

*Maximum EU co-financing rate:* 75% of the eligible costs.

*Award criteria:* Relevance of the proposal to the objectives of the action, consistency and adequacy of the resources allocated.

The grant is to be awarded to the European Federation of Food Banks (FEBA) without a call for proposals since the FEBA is the only EU-wide organisation which supports and coordinates the work of food banks in the EU/Europe and is therefore the body best positioned to implement the activities, meet the objectives, and deliver the expected results.

**3. PROCUREMENTS**

The overall budgetary allocation reserved for procurement contracts in 2018 amounts to EUR 7 575 727.

**3.1. Legal Basis**

Regulation (EU) No 652/2014

**3.2. Budget line**

2018 17.0401 – 5 000 000 EUR

2018 17.0403 - 2 575 727 EUR

### 3.3. Indicative list of envisaged contracts

Actions	Type of contract	Estimated no of contracts	Indicative date	Indicative amount (in EUR)
budget 2018 17.0401				
Purchase of vaccines against animal diseases (Lumpy Skin disease vaccines, PPR, Sheep Pox and Goat Pox vaccines, and other if required by the evolution of the epidemiological situation)	Call for tender/ direct service contract	3	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2018	5 000 000

Actions	Type of contract	Estimated no of contracts	Indicative date	Indicative amount (in EUR)
budget 2018 17.0403				
Horizontal contribution to communication activities for 2018	Specific/ service with existing framework contract	20	Throughout 2018	491 000
Communication activities: participation in Agro-Food international events	Specific service contract by using existing framework contract. Partial Sub-delegation to DG AGRI	3	Throughout 2018	175 000
Corporate communication actions 2018	Co-delegation to DG COMM. The actions will be implemented by DG COMM both by the Representations and Headquarters	3	Throughout 2018	60 000



	through direct and specific contracts implementing mainly DG COMM framework contracts.			
Communication activities: DG SANTE Website management	Co-delegation to DG DIGIT. The actions will be implemented by DG DIGIT through direct and specific contracts using existing framework contracts	3	Throughout 2018	24 000
External assessment of 2019 plant health survey programmes	Specific/AMI list	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2018	30 000
External assessment of 2019 veterinary programmes	Specific/AMI list	40	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2018	120 000
External assessment of 2019 Work Programmes and budgets of the EURLs	Specific/AMI list	10	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of 2018	30 000
Study supporting the impact assessment on the next MFF	Specific/service with existing framework contract	1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2018	100 000
Evaluation of the EU legal framework on food irradiation	Specific/service with existing framework contract	1	1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2018	170 000
Organisation of a food crisis simulation exercise with Member States	Specific/service with existing framework	1	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2018	280 000

	contract			
Eurobarometer on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)	Specific/ service with existing framework contract	1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2018	250 000
Communication activities in the domain of traceability and alerts	Specific/ service with existing framework contract	5	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2018	150 000
Educational activities for professionals on animal welfare	Specific/ service with existing framework contract	1	4 <sup>th</sup> Q 2018	150 000
Animal Welfare Platform	Specific/ service with existing framework contract	4	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2018	25 000
EU Platform on food losses and food waste - Lithuania	Call for tender/ direct service contract	1	1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2018	100 727
Evaluation of Food Contact Material	Specific/ service with existing framework contract	1	1st Q 2018	350 000
Expert advice under the TAILs project	Specific/ AMI list	10	1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2018	50 000
Communication materials for DG SANTE overview reports	Specific/ service with existing framework contract	1	2 <sup>nd</sup> Q 2018	20 000

### 3.4. Implementation

The actions will be implemented directly by DG SANTE or by the indicated co-delegations and sub-delegations.

#### 4. OTHER ACTIONS

##### 4.1. Administrative arrangements

###### 4.1.1. Legal Basis

Article 35 of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014

###### 4.1.2. Budget line

2018 17.0403 - 420 000 EUR

###### 4.1.3. Indicative list of envisaged Administrative Arrangements

Actions	Estimated no of administrative arrangements	Indicative date	Indicative amount (in EUR)
Scientific and technical support to the work of the EU Platform on Food Losses and Food Waste	1	1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2018	250 000
Literature review on front-of-pack labelling schemes	1	1st Q 2018	170 000

###### 4.1.4. Description and objectives of the implementing measures

The Commission intends to carry out the following actions in cooperation with the Joint Research Centre (JRC):

###### ***Scientific and technical support to the work of the EU Platform on Food Losses and Food Waste<sup>3</sup>***

*Objectives:* Support to the Commission and to all members of the Platform in defining measures needed to prevent food waste, sharing best practices, and evaluating the progress made.

###### ***Literature review on front-of-pack labelling schemes***

*Objectives:* Conduct a literature review and gather further information on the front-of-pack labelling schemes and on the common or different characteristics of front-of-pack labelling schemes.

###### ***Implementation***

The actions will be implemented directly by DG SANTE, through Administrative Arrangements with the Joint Research Centre (JRC).

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<sup>3</sup> The action could be executed as procurement in case JRC is not available.

## 4.2. Other Actions

### 4.2.1. *Reimbursement of accommodation and travel costs of experts carrying out audits together with DG SANTE Health and Food Audits and Analysis Directorate in 2018*

Action	Estimated no of other actions	Indicative date	Indicative amount (in EUR)
Reimbursements of accommodation and travel costs of experts carrying out audits together with DG SANTE Health and Food Audits and Analysis Directorate for 2018	150	Throughout 2018	400 000

#### 4.2.1.1. Legal Basis

Article 32 of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014

#### 4.2.1.2. Budget line

Budget 2018 17.0403 - 400 000 EUR.

#### 4.2.1.3. Implementation

Directly by DG SANTE.

### 4.2.2. *Translation of guidance documents, manuals, reports, and provisions for Member States (outsourced by DGT)*

Actions	Estimated no of other actions	Indicative date	Indicative amount (in EUR)
Translation of guidance documents, manuals, reports, and provisions for Member States (outsourced by DGT)	10	Throughout 2018	400 000

#### 4.2.2.1. Legal Basis

Article 35 of Regulation (EU) No 652/2014

#### 4.2.3. Budget line

Budget 2018 17.0403 - 400 000 EUR.

#### 4.2.3.1. Implementation

The action will be implemented through a Service Level Agreement between DG SANTE and DGT.