



Bulgaria, 22 October 2020 Remote participation

OneHealth Report COVID needs





Links between
COVID-19 related needs of
stakeholders
and One Health EJP
activities
Workpackage 5
Science to Policy translation

Support by veterinary services

Veterinary services can relieve the unbearable pressure that public health laboratories are experiencing by supporting diagnostic services^{2,3}.

Point-of-care testing

Validation of point-of-care testing is needed for quality diagnostics. Comprehensive testing (viral loads, identification and serology) supporting contact tracing will aid establishment of surveillance strategies¹¹.

Screening of animal hosts

Priorities

While *Rhinolophus* bats appear to be the ancestral hosts of SARS-Cov-2⁴, the animal reservoir and possible intermediate hosts are still unknown.

Research needs to consider farmed animals and hunted wildlife as a possible source of spill over^{4,7,14}.

Serological (prevalence) screening coupled with molecular methods are needed for a wide range of hosts⁴. Serological study protocols should be harmonised across sectors⁷ and countries¹¹.

Broad surveillance sampling is therefore needed, coupled with testing of archived specimens^{7,9}. Negative findings have to be reported as well².

OneHealth Report COVID needs (continued)



Role of food contamination

Presence of the virus on food has been reported, but there is currently no evidence that food contributes to human infection^{6,18}. Given the zoonotic origin of SARS-CoV-2, however, and given that the circulation of food and livestock should be preserved in the EU¹⁹, it is necessary that more evidence is produced.

Role of environmental contamination

The highest risk of COVID-19 spread is through human-to-human transmission, however contamination of surfaces is broadly reported. There is the need of assessing the stability of the virus on different surfaces^{4,7}, and it is necessary to assess the putative role of contaminated surfaces in transmission¹¹.

Transmission pathways

In addition to the detection of viral particles in animals, food, feed and environment, the dynamics of spread has to be studied. What is the transmission pathway that goes from reservoir, to putative secondary host, to humans, and is a reverse transmission from humans to animals possible^{4,7,11}?

Knowledge gaps in regulatory science





Contacts & information



- EFSAProcurement @efsa.europa.eu
- EFSA website grants pages
- #efsaprocurement



ARE YOU UP TO THE TASK?

EFSA has launched a new type of grant that will give us access to your expertise, and give you the chance to work more closely with us in safeguarding food safety in Europe.



Our TASKING GRANTS enable our valued Article 36 partners to support us in our day-to-day scientific

This new type of grant is different because EFSA specifies the process or expertise required rather than Article 36 organisations proposing a specific project. EFSA focuses the tasking grants on these

- Establish working processes to allow EFSA to meet the requirements of new legislation Example: safety assessment of novel foods and traditional foods from third countries-
- Get expertise not available in EFSA to fulfil a specific mandate/task. Example: expertise on whole genome sequencing of zoonotic microorganisms-
- Develop guidance or methodologies. Example: drafting of new guidance on endocrine disruptors in pesticides-

- A long-term, multiannual partnership with EFSA.
- . The chance to work on the frontline of food safety risk assessment in Europe
- Mutually beneficial exchange of expertise and knowledge

- EFSA launches a call for proposals and you nominate your organisation, providing evidence that you
- EFSA co-finances up to 90% of eligible costs.



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EFSA website – Tenders

http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/procurement/tenders



Deadline	Reference	Title	Published
12/11/2020 14:30:59 +01:00	OC/EFSA/AMU/2020/02	Assistance for Statistical and Epidemiological Analyses and Related Data Management, Using Conventional and Artificial Intelligence Methodology, and for Training and Ad-hoc Consultation Upon Request	03/09/2020
21/09/2020 14:30:59 +02:00	OC/EFSA/ART/2020/01	IUCLID Training	27/07/2020
05/10/2020 14:30:59 +02:00	OC/EFSA/BIOCONTAM/2020/03	Provision of Support to EFSA and to ECDC in the Production of the EU One Health Zoonoses Report and in Related Zoonoses Online Interactive Data Visualisation Dashboards and Zoonoses Story Maps	27/07/2020
15/10/2020 14:30:59 +02:00	OC/EFSA/GMO/2020/01	DNA Sequencing Quality Check of GMO Applications	27/07/2020
01/10/2020 14:30:59 +02:00	OC/EFSA/BIOCONTAM/2020/02	TSE EU Summary Report (EUSR)	24/07/2020
21/09/2020 14:30:59 +02:00	OC/EFSA/AMU/2020/04	EFSA Framework for Problem Formulation	14/07/2020
24/09/2020 14:30:59 +02:00	OC/EFSA/PREV/2020/01	Development of Critical Appraisal Forms for the Evaluation of Ecotoxicology Studies	13/07/2020
28/09/2020 14:30:59 +02:00	OC/EFSA/DATA/2020/01	RPC (Raw Primary Commodity) Model Update	08/07/2020
30/09/2020 14:30:59+02:00	OC/EFSA/SCER/2020/02	Screening for Emerging Chemical Risks in the Food Chain	07/07/2020

External tenders

In addition to EFSA tenders, you will find in this section the tender opportunities published by the other EU Agencies reporting to the ENVI Committee of the European Parliament: European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), European Environment Agency (EEA), European Medicines Agency (EMA), European Chemicals Agency (ECHA).

Deadline	Body	Reference	Title	Published
15/09/2020	EEA	EEA/DIS/R0/20/011	End-to-end Implementation and Operation of the European Ground Motion Service (EGMS)	05/06/2020
20/10/2020	ECHA	ECHA/2020/704	Customer Support Service for the ECHA Information Desk	11/09/2020
30/10/2020	ECDC	OJ/2020/DPR/12155	Administration, Technical and Scientific Support to the Operation of a European Network of Laboratories for Early Detection and Surveillance of Emerging, Re-emerging and Vector-borne Viral Diseases	08/09/2020
07/05/2023	ECDC	CEI/2019/RMC/11165	Editing and Proofreading, and Rapporteur Services	07/08/2019

Risk Assessment Research Assembly 2018



Risk Assessment Research Assembly (RARA)

Utrecht, 7 February 2018

EFSA organised the first Risk Assessment Research Assembly (RARA), with a view to stimulating new partnerships in food safety research to safeguard public health, and highlighting the importance of public funding.

Bringing together EU and national research funders, policy/decision makers and leading food safety researchers, RARA served as a platform to:

- · exchange research ideas, which may form part of future calls, and
- · identify partners and possible ways of funding.

Outcome

The first RARA attracted 200 scientists, risk assessors and policy makers from 40 countries. To learn more about the event, you can check out the event report, the programme and a leaflet highlighting the key outcomes.

- Event report
- Event programme
- Key outcomes

Note: If you wish to print the leaflet, make sure to select the setting 'flip on short edge'.

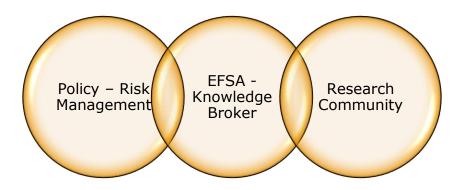
Event documents

RARA was organised as a dynamic and interactive event. Participants' input and contributions have been captured in the following documents.

- e-Inventory of research ideas shared among participants before the event
- <u>Posters & slides</u> presentations supporting research pitches made during the event
- <u>EFSA-supported networking via joint projects (2015-2017)</u> poster presented at RARA
- <u>Food for thought</u> booklet of abstracts from keynote speakers and panellists
- Satisfaction survey summary statistics from participants' feedback

https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/events/event/180207

Knowledge broker function





EFSA Research Platform



Tools

- Funding
- Upcoming calls
- Partner search
- research
- ideas
- LinkedIn

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Grants

EFSA's Research Platform is home for the wider food safety research community. It aims to support project ideas, promote consortia formation, and help scientists find opportunities for public research funding in food safety.

The Platform has been created in response to a call for coordination in the area of food safety research at EFSA's first Risk Assessment Research Assembly (RARA), where participants called on EFSA to be a knowledge-broker between scientists and policy makers.

The platform offers access to the following tools:

Funding programmes: a selection of current funding opportunities that are most relevant to food safety.

Upcoming calls: announced calls in EFSA's remit that are selected to allow researchers to monitor upcoming opportunities.

Partner search: there are useful websites to help you find partners or express your interest to participate in consortia. In addition, EFSA has a large network of competent organisations and researchers we work with. To find partners in your country, please contact your national EFSA Focal Point.

Research projects and ideas: should you wish to find out about ongoing research projects, click here. If you would like to share a research idea, please contact our Research Coordinator, You can follow the Research Coordinator on Twitter or LinkedIn, or simply send an email.

For more insights please visit our Knowledge Centre.

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Tweets



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In just 4 days another Open Door towards @EU H2020 calls: Towards a European research and innovation roadmap on soils and land management, Opening: 15 October 2019 Deadline: 22 January 2020 -17:00 (CET). Code: FNR-04-2020. ow.lv/83J450wEnIm



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EU member states are discussing nine new ideas for research partnerships to be funded by Horizon Europe, the EU next research programme. They include topics such as antimicrobial resistance, smart cities, shipping and forestry, ow.ly/B3fc50wEoRn





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EEA Grants and Norway Grants

Topics: Innovation, Research, Education and Competitiveness, Social Inclusion, Youth Employment and Poverty Reduction, Environment, Energy, Climate Change and Low Carbon Economy, Culture, Civil Society, Good Governance and Fundamental Rights and Freedoms, Justice and Home Affairs

Main link: EEA Grants and Norway Grants website

OECD Research Fellowships and Conference Sponsorship

Main link: OECD website

Visegrad Fund

Main link: Visegrad Fund webpage

COST - European Cooperation in Science & Technology

Topics: Workshops, Conferences, Training Schools, Short-Term Scientific Missions (STSMs), Dissemination Activities

Main link: COST website

Horizon 2020

Topics: Excellent science: Frontier research funded by the European Research Council (ERC); Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions., Societal challenges: Health, demographic change and wellbeing; Food security, sustainable agriculture and forestry, marine and maritime and inland water research and the bioeconomy.

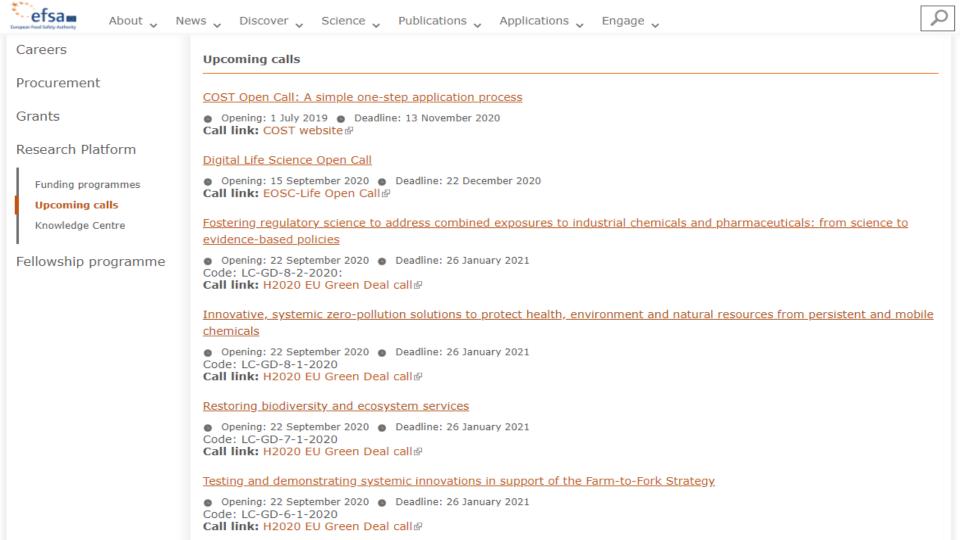
Main link: Horizon 2020 Website

LIFE - Programme for the Environment and Climate Action

Topics: Environment and resource efficiency, Nature and biodiversity, Climate change mitigation, Climate change adaptation, Environmental governance and information, Climate governance and information

Main link: LIFE website

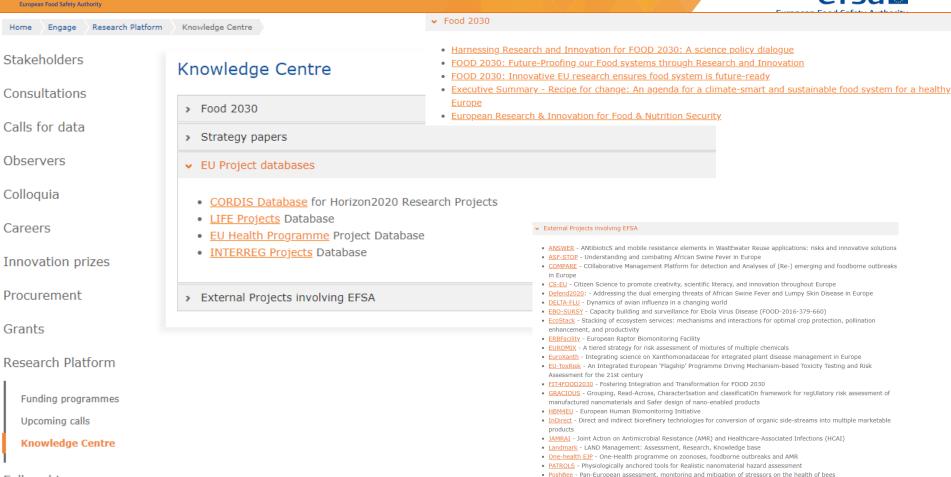
PRIMA - Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Mediterranean Area





Fellowship programme





 <u>SafeConsumE</u> - Safer food through changed consumer behavior: Effective tools and products, communication strategies, education and a food safety policy reducing health burden from foodborne illnesses 11

Food Safety Regulatory Research Needs 2030



https://efsa.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.2903/j.efsa.2019.e170622

1. SAFE FOOD SYSTEMS - Improve food safety while moving towards alternative & sustainable production systems.

- Anticipate impacts on food safety of **innovation** in food production and food systems. At **processing level as well as primary production level, hence include animal and plant health**.
- Does not suffice to assess risks, but also benefits, impacts and alternatives need to be assessed.
- Preparedness for **big social changes** related to climate change, migration, and changing consumer choices.

2. INNOVATION IN RISK ASSESSMENT - Anticipating impact of innovations and new technologies on integrated risk assessment.

- Current approach too resource-intensive, mostly animal-based raising issues of reproducibility and ethics.
- This current RA paradigm is challenged by recent technical advances, and public demands.
- Today, still, we work too much in silo's, and further research needs an integrated **OneHealth approach**.

3. HOLISTIC RISK ASSESSMENT - Understanding the context, delivering and communicating impactful science.

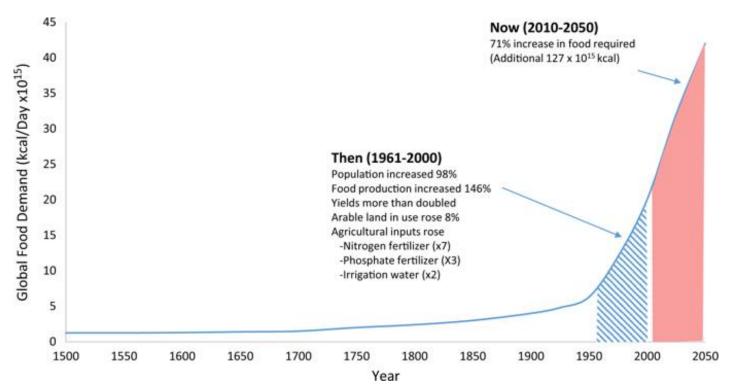
- To understand the context, research will focus on **understanding citizens' perceptions and expectations**, integrate risks and benefits, while at the same time promoting education and mobility of experts.
- Use of big data and AI.
- Intrinsic link between R&I and capacity building.



CHANGING WORLD



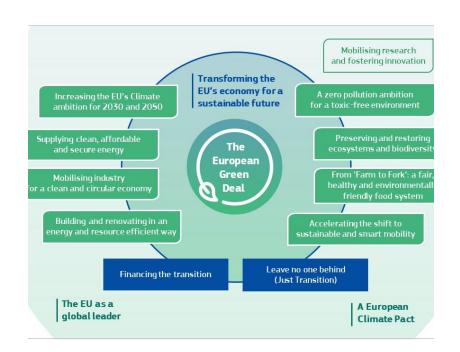
EXPONENTIAL GLOBAL FOOD DEMAND



Framing the food security challenge (adapted from Keating et al. 2014; Keating and Carberry, 2010) https://www.nature.com/articles/s41538-018-0021-9.pdf

Context











































Horizon Europe preliminary structure



Pillar 1

Excellent Science

European Research Council

Marie Skłodowska-Curie **Actions**

Research Infrastructures

Pillar 2

Global Challenges and European Industrial Competitiveness

- Health
- Culture, Creativity and **Inclusive Society**

- Civil Security for Society
 Digital, Industry and Space
 Climate, Energy and Mobility
 - Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment

Joint Research Centre

Pillar 3

Innovative Europe

European Innovation Council

European innovation ecosystems

European Institute of Innovation and Technology

Widening Participation and Strengthening the European Research Area

Widening participation and spreading excellence

Reforming and Enhancing the European R&I system

European Partnerships



Co-programmed

 These are partnerships between the Commission and private and/or public partners. They are based on memoranda of understanding and/or contractual arrangements.

Co-funded

 Partnerships involving EU countries, with research funders and other public authorities at the core of the consortium.

Institutionalised

 These partnerships require legislative proposals from the Commission and are based on a Council Regulation (<u>Article</u> <u>187</u>) or a Decision by the European Parliament and Council (<u>Article</u> <u>185</u>).

Full list of 49 candidate Partnerships

The current list of candidate European Partnerships is found in Annex 7 of the <u>Orientations towards the first</u> <u>Strategic Plan for Horizon Europe</u> (at the very end). Partnerships interesting for EFSA include:

- Animal health: fighting infectious diseases partnership
- One Health-AMR
- <u>Environmental Observations for a sustainable EU agriculture</u>
- Safe and Sustainable Food System for People, Planet & Climate
- EIT Food
- Chemical Risk Assessment (PARC)

Farm2Fork strategy
A healthier and more sustainable EU food system is cornerstone of Green Deal



2030 targets



The use of pesticides in agriculture contributes to pollution of soil, water and air. The Commission will take action to reduce the use of chemical and more hazardous pesticides by 50%



The excess of nutrients in the environment is a major source of air, soil and water pollution, negatively impacting biodiversity and climate. The Commission will act to

- reduce nutrient losses by at least 50%, while ensuring no deterioration on soil fertility
- reduce fertilizer use by at least 20%



Antimicrobial resistance linked to the use of antimicrobials in animal and human health leads to an estimated 33,000 human deaths in the EU each year. The Commission will reduce the sale of antimicrobials for farmed animals and in aquaculture by 50%.



Organic farming is an environmentally-friendly practice that needs to be further developed. The Commission will help the EU's organic farming sector to grow, with the goal of 25 % of total farmland being used for organic farming by 2030.

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