## **EWG** Invitation

The message is sent on behalf of the European Union and the Russian Federation	
Title:	Development of a framework on technological justification for substances intended for inclusion in the priority list of substances for JECFA evaluation
Committee:	Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses
Session:	40 <sup>th</sup> session
Chair of the EWG:	The European Union
Co-Chair:	The Russian Federation
Working Languages:	English
Description of work:	The 39 <sup>th</sup> session of the CCNFSDU agreed to establish an Electronic Working Group (EWG) with the following terms of reference:
	<ul> <li>continue working on a mechanism or framework for considering the technological justification on the basis of CX/NFSDU 17/39/8 and taking into account the comments in the CRDs and the discussion at CCNFSDU39; and</li> </ul>
	<li>b) test the agreed framework with the proposed use of xanthan gum (INS 415), pectin (INS 440) and gellan gum (INS 418).</li>
Timetable for work:	The work programme and timelines will be circulated to members of the EWG with the first circular.
Email for registration:	The EU Codex Contact Point <u>Sante-Codex@ec.europa.eu</u> and Dr Jiri Sochor <u>Jiri.SOCHOR@ec.europa.eu</u> as well as to the Russian Federation Codex Contact Point <u>codex@gsen.ru</u> and Dr Olga Bagryantseva <u>bagryantseva@ion.ru</u>
Registration deadline:	20 February 2018
EWG online platform:	No

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this Electronic Working Group. When there is more than one expert, each country or observer organization shall designate **one** as the official representative to participate in the EWG.

Applications should be sent through the Codex Contact Point (CCP) of the member or recognized observer organization in an email detailing:

- 1. Participant's name (one contact point per member/observer organization)
- 2. Official title or position
- 3. Country or observer organization
- 4. Email address

We look forward to your participation.

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