

EWG Invitation

This message is sent on behalf of Ecuador, Brazil and Ghana

Title	Proposed draft of Maximum levels for cadmium in chocolate and cocoa-derived products
Committee	CCCCF
Session	11 th
Chair of EWG	Ecuador
Co-Chairs	Brazil and Ghana
Working Languages	English and Spanish
Description of work	<p>CCCCF11 agreed to establish a EWG, chaired by Ecuador and co-chaired by Brazil and Ghana, working in English and Spanish, to prepare proposals for MLs for the endorsed categories for “chocolates” and “cocoa-powder and dry mixtures of cocoa and sugars” sold for final consumption as presented in REP17/CF, Appendix XIII.</p> <p>CCCCF11 also agreed to discontinue work on intermediate products. Future new work could be proposed on these products in future.</p> <p>The JECFA Secretariat has issued a call for submission of data on cadmium in chocolate and cocoa-derived products to GEMS/Food that is available at the FAO and WHO websites as follows: http://www.who.int/foodsafety/en/ or http://www.fao.org/food/food-safety-quality/scientific-advice/calls-data-experts/en/</p>

Timetable for work:

August 15, 2017	Deadline for registration of participants.
*October 20, 2017	First round - Deadline for the submission of the first draft of the document and request for comments to the EWG.
November 10, 2017	Deadline for receipt of comments on the first draft of the EWG document.
November 30, 2017	Second round - Deadline for the submission of the first draft of the document and request for comments to the EWG.
December 22, 2017	Deadline for receipt of comments on the first draft of the EWG document.
January 15, 2018	Deadline for the submission of the draft EWG standard to the Codex Secretariat (English and Spanish versions).

* The deadline for submitting of the information provided by the member countries and observer, was extended to September 30th, therefore the analysis of the information sent by the countries will begin the 1st of October 2017.

Email for registration	codexalimentarius@normalizacion.gob.ec , cccf.ewg.ecuador@agrocalidad.gob.ec
Registration deadline	15/08/2017
EWG online platform	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this EWG. 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 of the member or recognized observer organization in an email detailing:

- Participants name,
- Organization or country,
- Email