

## Electronic Working Group Invitation

This message is sent on behalf of **the United States of America**.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Review and update of dairy methods</b>
<b>Committee</b>	Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling
<b>Session</b>	40 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Chair of EWG</b>	United States of America
<b>Co-Chair</b>	New Zealand
<b>Working Language</b>	English
<b>Description of work</b>	<p>The EWG should continue the review of dairy methods listed in the <i>Standard for Methods of Analysis and Sampling</i> (CXS 234-1999). The review will consider those methods which have not yet been reviewed as well as methods from CCMAS40 (2019), where consensus on the applicability of the method could not be reached.</p> <p>Participants who have identified alternate methods to those currently listed in CXS 234 will be asked to provide validation data so that the EWG can attempt to reach a consensus on possible replacement methods.</p>
<b>Timetable for work</b>	The document should be submitted to the Codex Secretariat for consideration by CCMAS41 (2020) by not later than <b>15 March 2020</b>
<b>Email for registration</b>	<a href="mailto:uscodex@usda.gov">uscodex@usda.gov</a> with a copy to <a href="mailto:Gregory.noonan@fda.hhs.gov">Gregory.noonan@fda.hhs.gov</a>
<b>Registration deadline</b>	<b>31 August 2019</b>
<b>EWG online platform</b>	<b>Yes</b>

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:

- participant's name
- official title or position
- organization or country
- email address.

### The EWG platform

Link: <http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php>

User-Group name: **CCMAS41-DairyMethods**

The platform will require members to login.

New participants to the platform should first register ([online guide](#), [video tutorial](#))

Those participants who have previously registered on the platform can request to join the user-group directly.

The EWG chair will give participants access to the group online once they have verified their credentials so please ensure that you follow the procedure for applications and email the chair through your CCP even if you are already registered on the platform.

### Programme and timeline

The work programme and timelines will be circulated to members of the EWG soon after its establishment.

We look forward to your participation.

*Chair and Co-Chair of the EWG (United States of America and New Zealand)*

*Codex Contact Points of United States of America and New Zealand*