The last decades have undergone extraordinary changes within the food safety field, and although the regulation framework on food contaminants in the European Union was established in 1993, it was not until the publication of Regulation 178/2002 when the issue was globally approached in accordance with the principle of risk analysis.

The objectives sought with this event are:

- ➔ To help improve the knowledge on contaminants in food in the framework of risk analysis.
- → To provide a better understanding of the risk management of pollutants both in the field of food safety and related fields.
- ➔ To set a discussion among all the stakeholders involved in risk communication on food contaminants.

The workshop was divided into three thematic sections that correspond to the three elements of risk analysis (assessment, management and communication), taking into account that the AESAN is responsible for three areas nationwide.

This workshop is intended for the competent authorities responsible for the control and management of food safety, FBOs and consumers.



# 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013

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# WORKSHOP ON CONTAMINANTS IN FOOD

Madrid, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013

# 08:45-09:15h

Registration

# 09:15-09:30h

Workshop's opening

# Mrs. Pilar Farjas Abadía

President of the Spanish Food Safety and Nutrition Agency (AESAN)

# FIRST PART: RISK ASSESSMENT

#### 09:30-10:15h

Risk assessment in the field of contaminants: Role of EFSA

# Speaker: Mrs. Mary Gilsenan

Head of the Dietary and Chemical Monitoring Unit (EFSA)

# SECOND PART: RISK MANAGEMENT

# Chair: Mrs. Rosa Sanchidrián Fernández

Deputy Director for Food Risk Management (AESAN).

# 10:15-11:00h

EU risk management policy on contaminants in food: principles, recent developments and outlook

# Speaker:

#### **Mr. Frans Verstraete**

President of the Workings Groups on contaminants in Food (European Commission)

# 11:00-11:15h Colloquium

# 11:15-11:30h

#### Coffee break 11:30-12:00h

Official Control and Prospective Programmes within the Autonomous Regions' competence

# Speaker: Mrs. Esther Bigas i Vidal

Chief of Programs and Objectives Division. Agency for Health Protection of Catalonia (ASPCAT)

# 12:00-12:30h

Contaminants risk management in the field of environment: EU legislation and international agreements

**Speaker: Mrs. Ana Fresno Ruiz** Deputy Director for Air Quality and Industrial Environment (MAGRAMA)

# 12:30-13:00h

Consumer advice as an additional risk management measure: examples at the national level

Speaker: Mrs. Ana López-Santacruz Serraller

Chief of contaminants management service (AESAN)

#### 13:00-13:15h Colloquium

# THIRD PART: RISK COMMUNICATION

**Chair: Mr. Juan Julián García** Senior Adviser, Office of Risk Communication Office (AESAN)

# 13:15-14:30h

Round table: "Challenges of risk communication in the field of food contaminants"

#### Mrs. Paloma Sánchez Pello

Director of Technical and Environmental Department (FIAB-Food Business Operators)

**Mr. Alejandro Perales Albert** *President of the Association of Communication Users (AUC)* 

**Mr. Alipio Gutiérrez Sánchez** *President of the National Association of Health Report (ANIS)* 

Mr. Serafín Romero Agüit Secretary General of the Medical College (OMC) Mrs. Aurora de Blas Carbonero Deputy Director for Fisheries Economics. Directorate General for Fisheries (MAGRAMA)

# 14:30h

**Closing session** 

# Mrs. Ángela López De Sá

Executive Director of the Spanish Food Safety and Nutrition Agency (AESAN)

Registration for the Workshop on Contaminants in Food is free, but will be limited to the capacity of the auditorium "Ernest Lluch"

If you wish to attend the Workshop on Contaminants in Foods the application form should be sent to the Spanish Agency for Food Safety and Nutrition, by Monday June 3, available at:

http://www.aesan.msssi.gob.es/AESAN/web/no tas prensa/jornada contaminantes.shtml