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JOINT INITIATIVE FOOD EMERGENCIES EXERCISE (JIFEE)

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MEMBERS:

- BvL, Germany
- ASAE, Portugal
- AECOSAN, Spain
- FSA, United Kingdom
- FSAI, Ireland





The overall aim of the exercise is to assess participant Member States' (MS) and the European Commission's capacity and capability to work collaboratively in successfully managing and delivering a harmonised response to an 'emergency' food safety incident that affects all participating countries.

Scenario: *Listeria monocytogenes* in frozen berries from a third country



Joint Initiative Food Emergency Exercise (JIFEE)

BVL, Berlin, Germany, 4-5 October 2018

Simulation Exercise - Managing a Serious Food Safety Event

collaborative working
harmonised response
enhance incident response



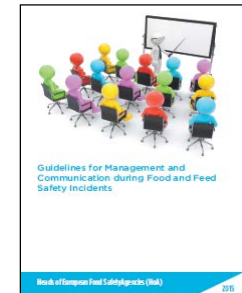
effectiveness of
information flows
consistent understanding
identify learning

Reference Documents

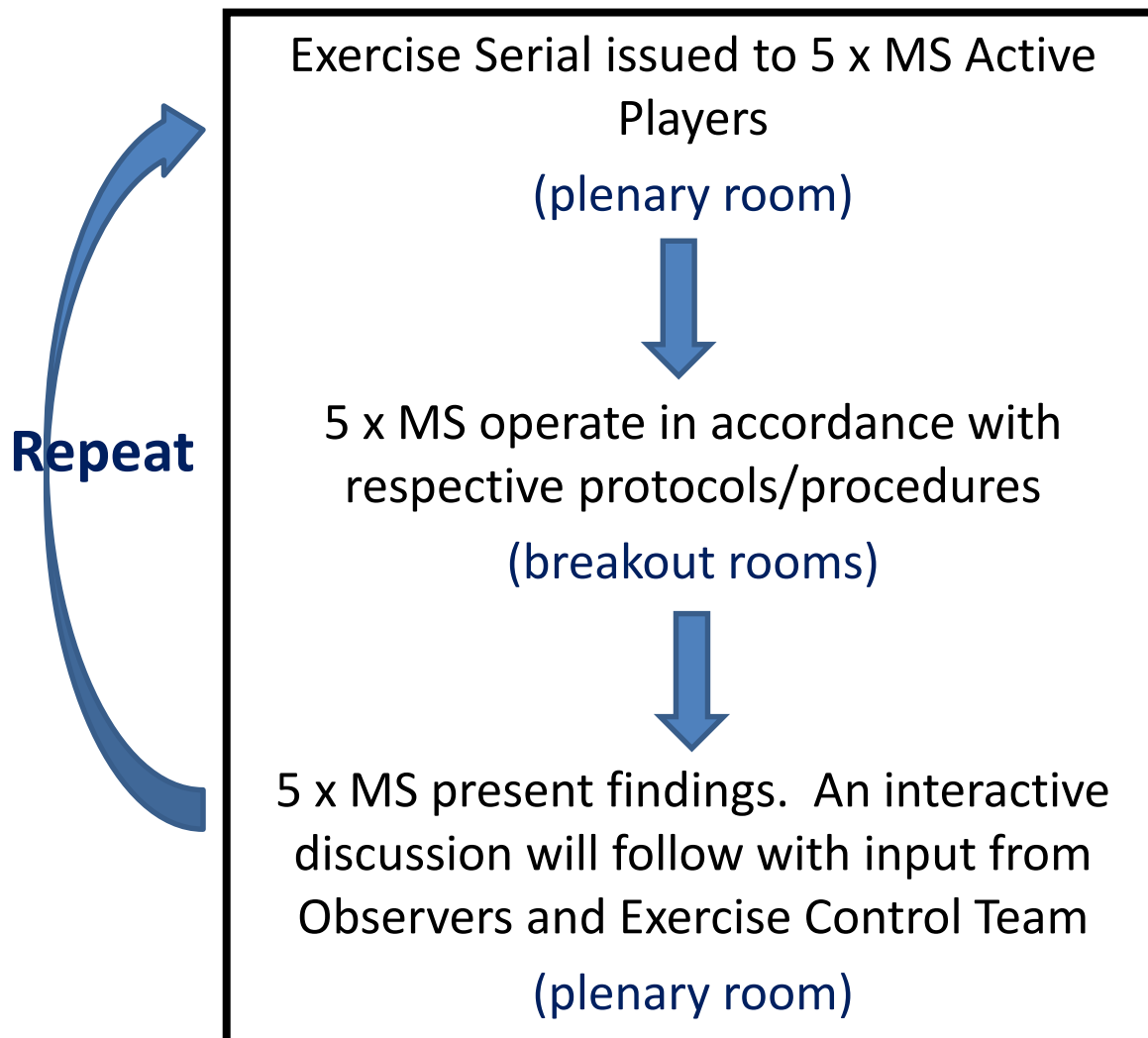


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- 5 X MS respective protocols/procedures for managing a foodborne disease outbreak.
- Guidelines for Management and Communication during Food and Feed Safety Incidents.
- Toolkit for investigation and response to Food and Waterborne Disease Outbreaks with an EU dimension.
- EFSA Best Practice for Crisis Communicators.

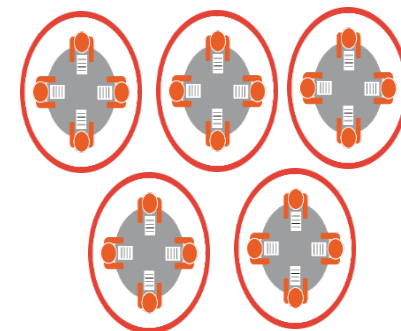


Exercise Format



Exercise Serial (5)

- Current Situation
- Specific Questions



Exercise Participants



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Active Players

Representatives from the 5 participating MSs.



Observers

Representatives from the EC (DG SANTE), ECDC, EFSA, JIFEE Working Group and the Czech Republic).



JIFEE WG

Exercise Control Team

This team will comprise an Exercise Director and two Exercise Facilitators, who will be supported by MS representatives from the JIFEE Working Group.



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Others

The roles of other organisations or individuals will be simulated.



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50 PARTICIPANTS





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- ✓ It proved to be an efficient format to conduct exercises.
- ✓ It allowed health and food central and regional professionals to interact in an effective and realistic way.
- ✓ It allowed to acquire knowledge of the protocols of risk management in other member states.
- ✓ Commission, ECDC and EFSA participation enriched greatly the exercise.



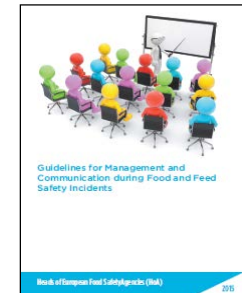
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Preliminary Outcome

- Harmonized response in the escalating steps of the incident
- HoA guidelines showed to be a useful tool.
- MS protocols include comparable tools in order to respond the escalation of the incident.
- In some Member states health and food safety protocols for management of emergencies were not sufficiently coordinated.





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WHO'S NEXT?



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