

IAFN Coalition for an Enhanced Codex 2017 Annual Report

Achievements

Key internal outcomes include:

- Transfer of Codex Coalition's institutional home from IYP2016 to IAFN secured at the beginning of the year
- Expansion of the coalition to 29 members and 8 observers
- Expansion of the funders' group to 6 paying organizations from one
- Successful fundraising to cover the year's budget among members: €102,000
- Agreement of the mission of the Coalition:

Mission

The Codex Alimentarius plays an integral role in establishing food safety standards, protecting the health of consumers and enabling the global trade of agriculture products to the benefit of farmers and consumers. The IAFN Coalition for an Enhanced Codex seeks effective and impactful Codex reforms to ensure the continued production and trade of safe, high-quality and diverse food in an economically, environmentally and socially sustainable way.

- Endorsement of the Position Paper outlining 7 recommendations to Enhance Codex
- Outreach to 20+ countries in bilateral meetings
- Side-events and luncheons to raise awareness on the issue among member states

Key milestones towards achieving the objectives of the coalition:

- January to June 2017: Development and endorsement of Coalition position papers, mission statement, and other key documents. Establishment of working systems for coalition
- May and June 2017: Strong interest from several countries to address particularly recommendations 1, 2, and 3 on Coalition's reform recommendations in bilateral meetings.

- June 2017: Meeting with Coalition members, FAO staff in charge of Scientific Advice and Chair of COAG Open-Ended Working Group on Funding for Scientific Advice. They identify that USD \$1.5 million is needed to address the shortfall in resourcing for the scientific committees.
- October 2017: Codex secretariat indicates its interest in electronic submissions if resources can be found to develop relevant IT support.
- September – December 2017: Development of 4 case studies on the impacts of delayed MRLs by 4 different suppliers all on different crops and regions
- November 2017: Extra member country funding secured for Codex: Canada to work on recommendation 1 of availability of experts with an extraordinary meeting funded by Canada in November 2017
- December 2017: Reform is not possible without addressing the flat budgets to get scientific advice. This issue was given profile, leading to the establishment of the COAG's Open-Ended Working Group on Funding for Scientific Advice after extensive advocacy for its creation to key member states (particularly USA, Switzerland, Australia and Canada). Subsequently a vote by FAO Council to provide up to \$1.5 million to funding for scientific advice from FAO budget surplus (when finalized). This will need continued monitoring
- December 2017: Negotiations underway with USA and India to advance the implementation of recommendation 5 on crop groupings and representative crops.

Progress on the Coalition Recommendations

The coalition has endorsed a position paper containing 7 recommendations to enhance Codex. They form the guiding principles for all our work. It was expected that it would take five to ten years for the project to advance these items. Progress is already being made on the first three. Below is a review of progress achieved so far on each recommendation:

1. Increase the availability of experts

Specialized funding was secured from Canada to hold an extraordinary meeting to train experts in the provision of scientific advice. There is a need to foster a new generation of experts and from a diverse set of nations. Canada made this commitment in consultation with Coalition members and the secretariat.

2. Secure a budget for secretariat staff and experts

The establishment of the FAO Open Ended Working Group (OEWG) on Funding for Scientific Advice in 2017 reflects the importance being placed on Codex by member states. Following two meetings, the OEWG recommended that the unspent balance of the 2016-17 appropriations be used without alterations to fund Codex scientific advice. This recommendation was endorsed by the FAO Council in December 2017. Specifically, they drew down funds from various activities to make up to US\$1.5 million (as per page 3 of the joint Programme and Finance Committee report here: <http://www.fao.org/3/a-mv224e.pdf>²). How the fund will be structured and administered (and by whom) are still open questions and further follow up is needed. This decision is a direct outcome of the 2017 outreach conducted by the Coalition.

With funding in place, it should help clear the way for more advanced discussions on reform. The IAFN Secretariat was told there was no capacity for engaging in the reform process until the money was committed. As well, the budgetary process is managed outside of Codex and it was not possible to couple the discussion. However, the African Regional Group, the QUAD³ and the Codex leadership clearly expressed support for broader reform once the budgetary issues were addressed. There is a willingness to consider funding special projects on reform and catch-up⁴, interest in new modes of funding and a recognition that the system can be modernized.

3. Maximize the use of electronic tools

The Codex secretariat has indicated it is open to more use of electronic tools. A constraint is IT systems and underpinning support. The Coalition Secretariat has held a series of calls with the USA (USDA-FAS), who is considering providing funding to Codex in some areas specifically related to the 7 recommendations laid out in the Codex Coalition position paper⁵, such as funding Electronic Submissions or Crop Groupings.

¹ See full details of resolution in the Annex

² See full details of resolution in the Annex

³ USA, Canada, Australia, Japan, New Zealand

⁴ To address MRL backlog

⁵ <https://agrifood.net/documents/codex/218-codex-psm-position-paper-1>

4. Peer review of national reviews and MRLs established by national authorities

Raised, but no substantive progress in year 1.

5. Maximize the use of crop grouping and representative commodities

Strong allies on crop groupings and representative crops have been found among India, the USA, and Canada. Efforts at the close of the year and planned for the New Year are on motivating India to be the advocate for this and for the USA or Canada to fund the project to facilitate it. It will require substantial effort to manage individual scientists blocking this activity so that working solutions can be developed by consensus overall and within the working groups.

6. Avoid rework and delay

Raised, but no substantive progress in year 1.

7. Ensure the consistency of application and adherence to the policies adopted by JMPR, CCPR

Raised, but no substantive progress in year 1.

Closing 2017 on the positive news about new funding is a clear endorsement by the member states of the need to value the work of Codex and scientific advice. They clearly indicated that funding is a precursor to further process reforms.

The Coalition remains concerned that extra funding without a commitment to reform will yield little in the way of long-term process reforms. The Coalition will need to pursue its outreach efforts in capitals in 2018 on the reform process.

Workplan review

The below workplan was initially developed by the funders and approved by the Coalition. It was reviewed through the year by the funders' group and the coalition at-large.

ACTIVITY + EXPECTED OUTCOME	STATUS & NEXT STEPS
Secretarial Services (EA)	Achieved
Seek out new coalition members representing international sectors or commodity specific sectors to join existing group;	+10 new coalition members
Engaging with new members to the coalition and attracting potential funders;	6 funders secured Raised €102,000 to implement workplan
Coordination with Chair the organisation of monthly calls with flexible dates and three months in advance, following up actions, agendas, maintaining orderly list of participants 1 per organisation for calls, engaging IAFN codex committee in between calls;	9 coalition calls held 8 funders' group calls held 4 in-person meetings held
Outreach, event organisation and propose key outreach events; coordinate coalition delegations during meetings and coordinate most importantly industry messages; seek approval on events to attend;	Briefings prior to large events with members' delegations, division of efforts for outreach according to priority list
Can-do attitude to ensure the Work plan advances with regular progress updates including assisting with stakeholder and opportunity mapping;	Quarterly review of the workplan
Seek out consultants to work on technical projects, drawing up contracts. Engaging and managing workload e.g. point 3 of workplan and report back to funders group;	Contacted and secured 4 suppliers for the case-studies
Travel	
1. Preparatory Documents	Achieved
a) Principles: Develop a set of high level principles.	Done Available online: https://agrifood.net/documents/codex/224-coalition-mission-and-principles
b) Terms of Reference: Develop guidance for group of coalition members identify their role in the Codex reform effort.	Done as Funders' Group ToR/Modalities (shared among funders)

ACTIVITY + EXPECTED OUTCOME	STATUS & NEXT STEPS
2. Stakeholder/opportunity mapping	Achieved
The expected outcome is that besides having the targets' details, having a list of defined targets will sharpen our thinking on the specific actions and messages that will resonate	
a) ID key decision-makers, contacts to help develop nature of actions and to target them later.	Priority list of countries and agencies staff (see Annex)
b) ID key events in 2017.	2017-2018 Calendar updated throughout the year (see Annex)
3. Problem analysis + communication	Achieved
We need quantifiable information to show negative impact on the value chain (importers, processors, consumers) in importing countries. Two categories:	
a) quantifiable macro-level global impact on trade and,	Case-studies RFP sent on June 30 Deadline to submit: July 30 4 suppliers selected
b) real-world case studies of problems faced due to lack of MRLs. Each sector responsible for collecting real world examples.	Deadline to complete: September 30 Completed by 4 suppliers
Thereafter	
c) the above to be packaged into persuasive case for reform, with emphasis on adverse impacts on developing countries, and how reform would contribute to food security, trade and development goals.	3 Case-studies reformatted in booklet to support outreach, the 4 th case study will be added when finalized.
The expected outcome is usable and convincing information.	
4. Position Paper	Achieved
Develop a position paper for IAFN on the impact of Codex procedures on the trade of agricultural commodities and farmers' access to markets and on the need for reform. The expected outcome is a document that sets out the problem and solutions.	Agreed by coalition and available online: http://agrifood.net/documents/codex/218-codex-psm-position-paper-1
Additional position paper on Codex funding	Draft concept paper on funding for scientific advice prepared and circulated.
5. Outreach to Countries	Achieved
The first external activity is outreach to countries. This will be done once allies are in place in tier 1 countries and it will be done on a bilateral or regional basis.	1 countries met in bilateral meetings at key events. (See Annex)

ACTIVITY + EXPECTED OUTCOME	STATUS & NEXT STEPS
5. Outreach to Countries (Cont'd)	Achieved
<p>The expected outcome is that governments are made aware of the issues and of the specific ideas to tackle them. This activity is aimed at getting their support and action to do so. In the case of CCPR affected countries, it is the need to support the specific reform initiatives in CCPR, with experts and funding to JMPR and in CCPR</p>	<p>Key Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Raising of Awareness of need for Enhancement of Codex 2) Support by Argentina, USA, Canada, Philippines, Iran, and Africa Regional Group (54 state voting blocs) for need for Reform 3) Switzerland takes up question of funding and brokers solution. Philippines moves it to finance committee 4) Canada funds extraordinary meeting in 2017 5) USA and Argentina indicate willingness to conduct 2018 events (not yet resolved pending 2018 workplan development)
6. Event	NOT PART OF CURRENT BUDGET
ALTHOUGH AN EVENT WILL LIKELY BE DONE, IT IS TOO EARLY TO DECIDE ON ITS SPECIFIC NATURE	
<p>Organize a technical workshop with senior Codex/FAO/WHO people, chairs of important committees. Sessions will focus on setting out examples and list of solutions. Activities include organization of event and a follow-up report.</p> <p>The expected outcome is increased understanding of our issues and therefore more support for solutions.</p>	To be done in 2018
7. Participation	Achieved
<p>Coalition partners the consultants, are expected to substantively and in person participate in the process at FAO, WHO, Codex Commission and relevant committees.</p> <p>The expected outcome is presence and participation.</p>	<p>Co-ordinated and facilitated Coalition members' participation at more than 20 events</p> <p>(see 2017 Calendar in Annex)</p>
8. Year - End Report	Achieved
<p>Drafting of a 5-page assessment of past actions and development of new actions – what arguments are working which not? What are realistic chances of success in different areas? What should we continue what not? Same at end-year.</p> <p>The expected outcome is that members are informed about progress to date and can share with their governance group the progress made thus far.</p>	<p>This document is the year-end report 2018 workplan outlines key recommendations for 2018 activities with an emphasis on completing funding process and highlighting more outreach on capital. Since year end, we recommend focus on recommendations 3 and 5 as items with the most near-term traction.</p>

1. Coalition Material

The coalition developed a series of founding documents including:

- A White paper
- Principles document
- Funders' Group Terms of Reference/Coalition Modalities
- Calendar of meetings
- Priority list of countries and agencies/key staff for outreach (capital, Rome and Geneva permanent missions)
- Tracking sheet of all meetings
- Draft concept paper on Funding for Scientific Advice
- Key messages on funding

2. Delegation coordination

The Secretariat coordinated the participation of Coalition members in **delegations at several events** (briefing calls, briefing meetings, onsite support):

- 1st Meeting of the FAO Committee on Agriculture's OEWG on Funding for Food Safety Scientific Advice – 4 members attended
- 49th Session of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR49) – 10 members attended
- 3rd Global Minor Use Summit (GMUS-3) - 12 members attended
- 2nd Meeting of the FAO Committee on Agriculture's Open-Ended Working Group on Funding for Food Safety Scientific Advice – 3 members attended
- UN Committee on World Food Security (CFS) – 9 members attended
- WTO SPS Training – 1 member presented on MRLs and the Coalition
- 11th WTO Ministerial Conference (MC-11) in Argentina – 2 members attended, assisted with speaker for side-event on scientific advice

3. Side-Events



Lois Rossi (consultant) organized two **side-events** in 2017 (at CCPR49 and at America MRL Workshop). They were not Coalition events, though coalition member Louise Roberge was able to present the 7 recommendations of the Coalition and exemplify the need for reforms based on the tea sector's experience.

The objective of the side events was to raise awareness of the need for CODEX reforms, and to discuss potential process solutions. There included the following.

- Americas MRL Workshop in Quito, Ecuador (March 2017)
- CCPR49 (April 24-29, 2017) in Beijing China. The side event was entitled “Codex Maximum Residue Levels: The Need and Initiatives of Increasing the Capacity of the Joint Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPPR)”. It was held on Monday, April 24, 2017. There were three presentations made:
 - “Codex Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs): The Need and Increasing Capacity” presented by Lois Rossi
 - “IAFN Coalition for Increasing Codex Capacity and Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations: Intergovernmental Group on Tea (FAO/IGG)” presented by Louise Roberge.
 - “Overview of the WTO Workshop on Pesticide MRLs and Possible Next Steps for Consideration by the SPS Committee” presented by Geoffrey Onen, Delegation of Uganda and Lucy Namu, Delegation of Kenya.

The presentations were well received (see Annex for highlights). The consultant noted that the side-event was well attended, and the delegation of India indicated agreement with the need to address the backlog⁶. Several delegates approached the speakers at the end of the side event with questions and expressed support. Ms. Rossi spoke to the Codex Regional Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean (CCLAC) at their daily meeting the next day to answer further questions.

Lois Rossi is pursuing her work on the catch-up plan directly with Pulse Canada and not under the Coalition.⁷

⁶ Full report of this event in annex

⁷ See overview of the catch-up plan in Annex

4. Presentations

The Secretariat also made presentations on the role of the coalition in two events:

- International Spice Conference (ISC - 2017) from February 12 - 14, 2017, at The Leela, Kovalam – Kerala, presentation on “Codex and MRLs” made by Robynne Anderson
1500 delegates – World Spice Organisation subsequently joins the Coalition.
Discussions held with leaders on need to work at capital in India and Vietnam to motivate their governments for Codex Enhancement.
- Ceylon Tea Conference in Sri Lanka in August 2017, presentation on “Global Engagement”, also mentions Codex and MRLs made by Robynne Anderson
Not paid for by coalition but Anderson promoted the work of the Coalition, there and in other speeches
1200 delegates – encouraging greater engagement from the tea community specifically targeting China and Sri Lanka for outreach.

5. Outreach activities

Outreach was conducted to advance the Coalition’s recommendations.

Key Outcomes:

- 1) Raising of Awareness of need for Enhancement of Codex
- 2) Support by Argentina, USA, Canada, Philippines, Iran, and Africa Regional Group (54 state voting blocs) for need for Reform
- 3) Switzerland takes up question of funding and brokers solution. Philippines moves it to finance committee
- 4) Canada funds extraordinary meeting in 2017
- 5) USA and Argentina indicate willingness to conduct 2018 events (not yet resolved pending 2018 workplan development)
- 6) Success of these meetings and feedback from them informs the finalization of the priority list of countries for future outreach

The Secretariat organized outreach activities with member states at key events:

- 49th Session of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR49) - bilaterals
- IAFN/PSM Annual General Meetings – Luncheon on Codex and bilaterals
- UN Committee on World Food Security - bilaterals

Over the course of 2017, the Codex Coalition secretariat met the following countries/agencies in **bilateral meetings**:

1. Codex Secretariat
2. Head of the FAO Food Safety and Quality Unit
3. Argentina
4. Australia
5. Cameroon
6. Canada
7. Chile
8. China
9. Egypt
10. European Union
11. India
12. Indonesia
13. Iran
14. Japan
15. Kenya
16. New Zealand
17. Philippines
18. Switzerland
19. Thailand
20. Turkey
21. USA

Over the course of the year, the Secretariat had extensive conversations with several countries, in particular with the **United States and Canada**, in capital, regarding additional funding for Codex. Special announcements have occurred. It is believed there may be additional funding coming to assist with catch-up at Codex.

6. Case-studies

The Coalition's outreach efforts highlighted a need to build better awareness with FAO and Codex officials, technical experts and member countries on why new approaches to setting MRLs are required and the consequences of status quo. Decision makers do not always see the immediate case for change, or understand the impact missing MRLs or delays at the global level have on food production and global trade. They need to be provided with a compelling reason to step up and assume leadership positions. So, the Coalition engaged a series of consultants to develop a series of **global case studies** to document the real-life impact of not harmonized or missing maximum residue limits (MRLs) on farmers' ability to both produce sustainable food and access world agricultural markets.

Four case studies were commissioned on the following topics:

- Quinoa in Peru
- Cranberry exported from the US to the EU
- Beans and peas in Kenya
- A veterinary drug used to control worms in sheep that was delayed in reaching the UK market

The secretariat summarized and collated the case studies into two formats for future dissemination:

1. Four pages on each case study, and;
2. A booklet compiling case-studies

The funders decided that only the booklet was needed for outreach. Consequently, only the booklet is a final document; the four-pagers remained in a draft stage.

Recommendations for 2018

A workplan has been proposed for 2018. The secretariat recommends a more fluid workplan that focuses on advancing the 7 recommendations through more outreach in capital, greater mobilization of the coalition networks, and to further the case studies project to better tell the story of the need for Codex Enhancement. These case studies should be used in events that reach member states.

The path to success in this project is not linear. The Coalition needs to adapt quickly and move the discussion to different member states as chairmanships rotate and new pools of cooperation are formed.

ANNEX 1

Priority Agencies and Countries for Outreach 2017

The Coalition established the below list of contacts for outreach in 2017. Dates have been added to indicate when bilateral meetings occurred. National Outreach will be conducted in stanchos to create allies, assess positions, and adapt to changing leadership roles within the UN system.

Agencies

<p>Codex Secretariat</p>	<p>Dr. Tom Heiland, Secretary Secretary of the Codex Alimentarius Commission tom.heilandt@fao.org codex@fao.org</p> <p>2016, 2017⁸</p> <p>Annamaria Bruno Senior Food Standards Officer Responsible Officer for CCRVDF, Alternate Officer for CCPR annamaria.Bruno@fao.org</p> <p>Gracia Brisco Food Standards Officer Responsible Officer for CCPR; Alternate Officer for CCRVDF gracia.Brisco@fao.org</p> <p>2016, 2017</p>
<p>Codex Secretariat Technical Unit (AGFF) Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)</p>	<p>Dr Renata Clarke Head of the FAO Food Safety and Quality Unit renata.clarke@fao.org</p> <p>2017</p> <p>Markus Lipp, Senior Food Safety and Quality Officer markus.lipp@fao.org</p>
<p>World Health Organization (WHO)</p>	<p>Dr. Kazuaki Miyagishima Director, Department of Food Safety and Zoonoses miyagishimak@who.int foodsafety@who.int</p>
<p>Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)</p>	<p>Sarah Cahill Food Safety Officer, JEMRA Secretary Sarah.Cahill@fao.org</p>

⁸ Dates have been added to indicate when bilateral meetings occurred

	<p>Saskia Reppin Animal Production Officer saskia.reppin@fao.org Brent Larson Standards Office with the IPPC Secretariat Brent.Larson@fao.org</p>
World Trade Organization (WTO)	<p>Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS) Committee Mr. Marcial Espínola Ramirez (Paraguay) spscommittee@wto.org</p> <p>Anneke Hamilton Economic Affairs Officer, Agriculture and Commodities Division anneke.hamilton@wto.org</p> <p>2016, 2017</p> <p>Christiane Wolff Counsellor Agriculture & Commodities Division SPS Christiane.Wolff@wto.org</p> <p>Cristina Rubiano Passos Public Forum Assistant cristina.rubianopassos@wto.org</p>
Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues	<p>Host government: China Chair: Professor Xiongwu Qiao Director of the Shanxi Academy of Agricultural Sciences ccpr_qiao@agri.gov.cn ccpr@agri.gov.cn</p> <p>Chair's Assistant: Dr. Guibiao Ye Director of CCPR Secretariat Institute for Control of Agrochemicals Ministry of Agriculture of the People's Republic of China (ICAMA) yeguibiao@agri.gov.cn 2017</p>
Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods	<p>Host government: United States Chair, CCRVDF: Dr Kevin Greenlees Senior Advisor for Science and Policy United States Food and Drug Administration, Center for Veterinary Medicine kevin.greenlees@fda.hhs.gov</p> <p>Chair's Assistant: Mr. Jon Scheid</p>

	<p>International Programs U.S. Food and Drug Administration Center for Veterinary Medicine jon.scheid@fda.hhs.gov 2017</p>
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The coalition members selected the below list of priority countries for 2017:

Country	Rome Representative	Geneva Representative	Capital Representative	Codex expert
1) Argentina	<p>Excma. Sra. Doña María Cristina Boldorini emfao@mrecic.gov.ar</p> <p>Nazareno Montani, Alternate ncm@mrecic.gov.ar</p> <p>2016,2017</p>	Mr Julio Mercado Minister, Permanent Mission, Geneva		<p>Ing. Gabriela Alejandra Catalani, Punto Focal del Codex Argentina</p> <p>CCPR49</p>
2) Australia	<p>His Excellency Gregory Alan French Ambassador faorep@dfat.gov.au</p> <p>Rosemary Navarrete, Advisor Navarrete, Rosemary Rosemary.Navarrete@dfat.gov.au</p> <p>Cathrine Stephenson, Minister Counsellor (agriculture) Cathrine.Stephenson@dfat.gov.au</p> <p>2016, 2017 CFS, AGM</p>	Mr John Quinn Ambassador, Permanent Representative		<p>Codex Contact Point, Department of Agriculture and Water Resources</p> <p>CCPR49</p>
3) Canada	<p>Her Excellency Alexandra Bugailiskis rperm@international.gc.ca</p> <p>Mi Nguyen, Deputy mi.nguyen@international.gc.ca Jennifer Fellows, Alternate Jennifer.Fellows@international.gc.ca</p>	Ms Rosemary McCarney Ambassador and Permanent Representative	<p>Brent Wilson Deputy Director Technical Trade Division, AAFC</p> <p>Daryl Nearing, Multilateral Affairs, AAFC</p>	<p>Ken Marcynuk Office of Food Safety and Recall Canadian Food Inspection Agency</p> <p>CCPR49</p>

	2016, 2017 CFS, AGM			
4) Chile	Excmo. Sr. Don Luis Fernando Ayala Gonzalez Embajador fpratico@minrel.go b.cl 2016	Sr. J.E. Vega Embajador Representante Permane		Sr. Diego José Varela Maino, Punto de Contacto Codex Chile CCPR49, CCLAC
5) China	His Excellency NIU Dun Ambassador chinamission@chin amission.it XIE Jian Min, Deputy Representative, Counsellor xiejianmin@chinam ission.it TIAN Jiani, Second Secretary tianjiani@chinamis sion.it 2017 CFS	Mr Wu Hailong Ambassador Permanent Representative		Mr. XU Xuewan Doctor, Development Center of Science and Technology CCPR49
6) Egypt	Mr Abdelbaset Ahmed Aly Shalaby Counsellor ambegitto@gmail.c omEgypt@agrioffe gypt.it Mr Khaled el Taweel, First Secretary, Alternate khaled.eltaweel@m fa.gov.eg	Mr A. Ramadan Ambassador, Permanent Representative		Eng. Ashraf Ismaeil Mohammed Afifi, Codex Contact Point
7) Ethiopia	Her Excellency Zenebu Tadesse Woldetsadik info@ethiopianemb assy.it Mr Mitiku Tesso Jebessa	H.E Mr. Negash Kibret Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative to the UN Office at		Mr. Tesfaye Yakob Melkamu Codex Contact Point for Ethiopia

	<p>Minister Plenipotentiary</p> <p>Mr Tarekegn Tsegie Haile, Alternate taresegie@gmail.com</p> <p>2016</p>	Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland		
8) India	<p>Her Excellency Reenat Sandhu Ambassador amboffice.rome@mea.gov.in - agri.rome@mea.gov.in</p> <p>2016</p>	Mr A. Kumar Ambassador, Permanent Representative		<p>National Codex Contact Point Food Safety and Standards Authority of India Ministry of Health and Family Welfare</p> <p>CCPR49</p>
9) Indonesia	<p>Her Excellency Esti Andayani Ambassador indorom@indonesianembassy.it - indorom@uni.net</p> <p>Mr Royhan Nevy Wahab, First Secretary roy.wahab@kemlu.go.id</p> <p>2016</p>	Mr R.M. Michael Tene Deputy Permanent Representative		Director General, National Standardization Agency of Indonesia
10) Iran	<p>Mr Shahin Ghorashizadeh Attaché Secretary1@iranrepfao.org ; Secretary2@iranrepfao.org - missiranfao@missiranfao.1911.it; missiranfao@yahoo.com</p> <p>2016, 2017</p>	Mr A. Bagherpour Ardekani Deputy Permanent Representative		Ms Leila Zinatbakhsh Institute of Standards and Industrial Research of Iran
11) Kenya	<p>Ms Harriet M. Nduma First Counsellor kenroma@rdn.it</p>	Dr S.N. Karau Ambassador, Permanent Representative		Managing Director, Kenya Bureau of

	2016			Standards (KEBS) CCPR49
12) Kuwait	Mr Yousef Jhail Counsellor mc8975@mclink.it; juhail@hotmail.com - Kuwait_FAO@tis cali.it 2016	Mr A. Al-Askar Chargé d'affaires a.i Permanent Mission Geneva		Mrs Ebtasam Hussain Al kandari Standards Supervisor
13) Japan	His Excellency Keiichi Katakami fao@ro.mofa.go.jp Mr. Toru Hisazomi Counsellor Counsellor Mr. Takaaki Umeda (07/09/2015) First Secretary 2016	Ms M. Kaji Deputy Permanent Representative		Takahiro OTA, Director, Office for Resources, Policy Division, Science and Technology Policy Bureau CCPR49
14) Mexico	Excma. Sra. Doña Martha Elena Federica Bárcena Coqui Embajadora mision.italia@sre.g ob.mx Sra. Doña María de la Gómez Aguilar, Secc Secretary mgomez@emexi talia.it 2016	Sr. J. Lomónaco Embajador Representante Permanente		Dirección General de Normas (DGN), Secretaría de Economía (SE) CCPR49
15) Philippin es	His Excellency Domingo P. Nolasco Ambassador rome.pe@dfa.gov.p h - romepe2007@g mail.com Mr Lupino jr. Lazaro, Agricultural Attaché	Ms Michelle Eduarte Attaché Permanent Mission		Dr. Segfredo R. Serrano, Department of Agriculture Undersecretary for Policy and Planning CCPR49

	lupinolazaro@yahoo.com 2016, 2017			
16) New Zealand	His Excellency Patrick John Rata Ambassador rome@nzembassy.it - nzembassyrome@gmail.com Mr Matthew B. Hooper, Counsellor (Agricultural Affairs) matthew.hooper@mfat.govt.nz 2016, 2017	Her Excellency Ms. Jillian Dempster Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative		S. Rajasekar, Codex Coordinator and Contact Point for New Zealand CCPR49
17) Switzerland	Son Excellence Monsieur François Pythoud Ambassadeur francois.pythoud@eda.admin.ch 2016, 2017	Valentin Zellweger Ambassador Permanent representative of Switzerland to the United Nations and the other international organisations		Mr Martin Muller, Codex Contact Point for Switzerland
18) United Kingdom	Her Excellency Marie-Therese Sarch Ambassador f-pryce@dfid.gov.uk	Mr J. Braithwaite Ambassador Permanent Representative		Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) Food Policy Unit
19) United States	Mr Thomas Duffy Charge des Affaires USUNRome@State.Gov Jennifer Chow, USADI jchow@usaid.gov Emily Katkar, State Department Katkarel@state.gov >; Daleyah Uddin, State Department uddinsd@fan.gov, UddinSD@state.gov	Ms Pamela Hamamoto Ambassador, Permanent Representative	Caitlin Blair, USDA FAS, Caitlin.blair@fas.usda.gov Jason Sandahl, USDA-FAS Jason.Sandahl@fas.usda.gov	U.S. Codex Office, Food Safety and Inspection Service Candice Bruce, USDA FAS, Candice.bruce@fas.usda.gov

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In addition, coalition members met with these additional countries in 2017

Country	Representative met
Cameroon	Médi MOUNGUI, Chair of African Regional Group, Permanent Representative medimoungui@yahoo.fr
Thailand	Jiropa Trochim Alternate Permanent Representative Jirapa.trochim@gmail.com
Turkey	Mehmet Bulut Counsellor Alternate Mehmet.bulut@mfa.gov.tr
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ANNEX 2

FAO Council

Report of the Joint Meeting of the 122nd Session of the Programme Committee and 169th Session of the Finance Committee (6 and 9 November 2017)

<http://www.fao.org/3/a-mv224e.pdf>

Use of unspent balance of the 2016-17 appropriations⁴ 4. The Joint Meeting noted: a) the guidance provided by the Conference on use of any unspent balance of the 2016-17 appropriations; b) the need for a more systematic approach, including inter alia modalities and criteria, and broader informal consultations with Members in future biennia on the use of any unspent balances of the biennial appropriations prior to the Conference in 2019; c) the establishment of the Special Fund for Development Finance Activities (SF DFA) with an agreed level of USD 10 million and the fact that this Fund had not yet received any voluntary contributions from donors; d) the Special Fund could accelerate FAO's technical and programmatic support to Members through advance financing to provide technical assistance and investment programming for development finance; e) the need for sustainable funding solutions for high-priorities areas of work of the Organization, specifically the scientific advice for food safety and Codex Alimentarius; f) the need to invite the World Health Organization to increase its contribution to the Joint FAO/WHO Codex Alimentarius; and g) the support for the establishment of a Blind Trust Fund designed to enhance contribution from state and non-state actors, aimed at supporting a sustainable funding solution to FAO's work and activities related to scientific advice for food safety and the Codex Alimentarius as indicated in the Open Ended Working Group of COAG, with an initial level of USD 1.5 million. 5. Therefore, the Joint Meeting recommended the Council: a) approve allocation of the unspent balance of the 2016-17 appropriations through replenishment of the SF DFA; b) approve allocation, with agreement from resource partners, of 10 percent of the unspent balances of the MAFAP/FMM Trust Funds, up to a maximum of USD 0.5 million, for the Blind Trust Fund aimed at supporting a sustainable funding solution to the FAO's work and activities relating to scientific advice for food safety and the Codex Alimentarius; and c) in addition to point 5.a) above, approve allocation of fifty percent of unspent balance of the 2016-17 appropriations above a threshold of USD 5 million, up to a maximum of USD 1 million, towards the Blind Trust Fund. 6. The Joint Meeting noted that its recommendations should not constitute a precedent for the future use of unspent balances, and recommended the Council agree for the Secretariat to submit, for review by the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM) and the Joint Meeting of 4 JM 2017.2/2 4 CL 158/8 the Programme and Finance Committees, a proposal for procedures and decision for a systematic use of unspent of biennial appropriations in future biennia.

ANNEX 3

Summary Report on 49th Session of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR) April 24-29, 2017, Beijing, China By Lois Rossi

I. Introduction

This report will cover the following:

- Side event entitled “Codex Maximum Residue Levels: The Need and Initiatives of Increasing the Capacity of the Joint Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPR)” held on Monday, April 24, 2017 (17:15-18:15);
- Outreach to national delegations and the Secretariat on Coalition initiatives described in its position paper during the CCPR meeting;
- Highlights of the CCPR meeting of interest to the GPC and Coalition members.

II. Side Event “Codex Maximum Residue Levels: The Need and Initiatives of Increasing the Capacity of the Joint Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPR)”

Background

The side event was held on Monday, April 24, 2017 from 17:15-18:15 in the Kunlun Hotel Function Hall. The idea of presenting on the topic in a side event was initiated by Ms. Gracia Brisco, from the Office of the Codex Secretariat. Ms. Brisco asked Ms. Lois Rossi to hold the side event like those held at the Codex Coordinating Committee for Latin American Countries (CCLAC) in Vina del Mar, Chile in October 2016 and the Americas MRL Workshop in Quito, Ecuador held in March 2017. The side event was announced on the 49th CCPR session website where the side event summary paper was posted as well. Additionally, the side event was included in the “Session’s Guide” to the 49th session with the time and location.

Side Event Presentations

The side event consisted of three presentations:

- “Codex Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs): The Need and Increasing Capacity” presented by Lois Rossi

This presentation focused on the Global Pulse Confederation dedication of resources in 2016, the Year of the Pulse (IYP), and to advocacy efforts concerning the extent of the lack of or misalignment of MRLs. The importance of Codex MRLs was discussed along with overall goal of the IYP to increase the capacity of the Joint Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) resulting in an increased number of Codex MRLs established each year. Specifics on the initiative included: the framing of the universe of



Codex MRLs needed to minimally match those established in other countries and to address specific specialty crops in countries now globally traded with few Codex MRLs; involving developing countries where the MRL issues are creating obstacles for farmers; increasing the number of experts on JMPR through the support of member countries; and, ensure adequate funding is available to FAO and WHO to support the JMPR meetings. Delegates were asked to provide any feedback on the initiative and country specific MRL needs.

- “IAFN Coalition for Increasing Codex Capacity and Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations: Intergovernmental Group on Tea (FAO/IGG)” presented by Louise Roberge.

The first part of the presentation introduced the IAFN Coalition for increasing Codex capacity and discussed the coalition’s objectives and recommendations as outlined in the position paper (copies of the position paper were provided to the delegates). The second part of the presentation focused on the import and export of tea and provided statistics on the top ten exporting and importing tea countries. Examples on the lack of Codex MRLs on tea were given and the reliance on older chemistries was noted. The impact of a lack of Codex MRLs on trade flows was mentioned and that least developed countries are mostly affected by the lack of MRLs. The cost of returning a shipment rejected due to a lack of a Codex MRL was presented.

- “Overview of the WTO Workshop on Pesticide MRLs and Possible Next Steps for Consideration by the SPS Committee” presented by Geoffrey Onen, Delegation of Uganda and Lucy Namu, Delegation of Kenya.



Side Event on Need for MRLs at CCPR in Beijing, China is well attended by delegate body

This presentation provided an overview of the WTO sponsored MRL Workshop held in Geneva in October 2016 and a follow-up initiative to advance the work on trade-related MRL issues. A paper co-authored by Kenya, Uganda and the United States was discussed. The paper covered 5 thematic areas: enable JMPR to better respond to increased demand and monitor progress on new Codex MRLs; strengthen

notification practices for greater transparency and predictability on MRLs; report to the SPS committee on international and regional activities on MRLs; collaborate on solutions for MRLs for minor use and specialty crops; and, discuss the role of the SPS committee in increasing coordination and harmonization.

Side Event: Attendance and Reaction

The side event took place after the CCPR session adjourned for the day and before the reception on Monday, April 24th. Given the time at the end of the day, the side event

organizers were concerned about the event attendance. However, the event was very well attended as one can see from the picture at right.

A favourable comment from the delegation of India indicated agreement with the points made in the presentation and support for the initiatives mentioned. Several delegates approached the speakers at the end of the side event with questions and expressed support. Ms. Rossi was asked to speak to the CCLAC at their daily meeting at 8 am on Thursday to answer further questions.

III. Outreach to National Delegations at the CCPR session

Prior to leaving for the CCPR meeting, members of the coalition were asked to reach out to country delegations and introduce them to the position paper. Coalition members (Roberge, Scholz, Rossi, Williams) reached out to all delegations on the list compiled by Emerging Ag that were present at the meeting (Argentina, Australia, Canada, Chile, China, India, Indonesia, Iran, Kenya, Japan, New Zealand, USA and EU). The only specific action before CCPR related to the Coalition's work was the extraordinary meeting proposed by the Canadian delegation. All 100 copies of the position paper (provided courtesy of Alan Ding) were distributed.

The following delegations did not attend the meeting: Egypt (haven't attended for the last 3 years); Ethiopia (haven't attended for the past 4 years); Kuwait (haven't attended for the past 4 years); Mexico (have attended in the past but did not attend this year); Philippines (have attended in the past but did not attend this year); UK (there was not a delegation from the UK at the meeting).

Considerable discussion on the "catch-up" plan was had with the WHO, FAO and Codex Secretariats. The representatives from all three organizations expressed the need for the plan and how it will fit in with future extraordinary meetings as well as the annually scheduled JMPR meetings. Also, the "catch-up" plan was discussed in detailed with the head of the Australian delegation as this individual also chairs the Priorities Electronic Working Group into which the "catch-up" plan will feed. All the discussions were positive and supportive.

IV. Highlights of the 49th CCPR Session

The 49th CCPR was quite productive. Highlights of the meeting are briefly summarized below:

- MRLs decisions:
 - 484 MRLs associated with 26 actives were advanced to Step 5/8, 4 MRLs associated with 1 active were advanced to Step 8. All 488 MRLs will be considered for adoption at the CAC meeting in July. The number of MRLs advanced for adoption by the next CAC (CAC40) is the highest number to date and represents a considerable amount of work by the JMPR, CCPR and the industry providing the data for review. The breakdown of the 488 MRLs advanced is: 354 MRLs set on commodities and 130 set on meat, milk and eggs.
 - 16 MRLs associated with 4 commodities were retained at Step 7.
 - 24 MRLs associated with 7 active ingredients were withdrawn.
 - 103 MRLs associated with 9 active ingredients were revoked.
- Crop Grouping (Classification of Food and Feed)
 - Vegetable commodity groups (Type 02) were forwarded to CAC40 for adoption.

- Grass commodity groups (Type 03), specifically Group 020 grasses of cereal grains and Group 021, grasses for sugar or syrup production were forwarded to CAC40 for adoption.
- The proposed draft revised Group 024, seeds for beverages and sweets was forwarded to Step 5.
- Draft Table 2 on examples of selection of representative commodities (vegetable groups) and Table 3 on examples of selection of representative commodities (grass groups) was forwarded to CAC40 for adoption.
- The Electronic Working group on the revision of the Classification of Food and Feed was re-established for another year.
- Methods of Analysis
 - The draft guidelines on performance criteria for methods of analysis for the determination of pesticide residues in food and feed were forwarded to the CAC40 for adoption.
- International Estimate of Short-Term Intake Equations (IESTI)
 - The CCPR agreed to establish an Electronic Working Group chaired by the Netherlands and co-chaired by Australia and Uganda with the following Terms of Reference:
 - To provide information on the history, background, and use of the IESTI equations.
 - To review and provide illustrative comments on advantages and challenges that arise from the current IESTI equations and their impact on risk management, risk communication, consumer protection goals and trade.
 - To gather relevant information on bulking and blending, as well as other information or data as outlined in Table 3 Appendix 2 of CX/PR 17/4/9/12 to feed into the risk assessors work through the JMPR secretariat.
 - To develop a discussion paper providing recommendations for consideration at CCPR 50.
- Establishment of Codex Schedules and Priority Lists of Pesticides
 - The Chair of the EWG on Priorities (delegate from Australia) invited Canada to introduce the proposal for an extraordinary meeting of the JMPR. Delegations indicated strong support for an extraordinary meeting of the JMPR.
 - For 2018, 8 new compounds are scheduled for JMPR evaluation plus two reserve compounds. There are 20 confirmed new use compounds and other evaluations on the proposed schedule for 2018. The proposed schedule for periodic reviews has 6 compounds listed. However, it was noted that 14 compounds may exceed the available resources. The CCPR agreed that a ratio of 8:5 (new to old compounds) would be maintained.
 - For 2019, the Chair indicated that the proposed schedule for the extraordinary meeting will draw on the nominations listed in the 2019 priority list on new uses and other evaluations. Fifteen nominations were already confirmed following the submission of product labels and evidence of a national registration. The FAO and WHO Secretariats did note that there was room in the 2019 schedules for more nominations.
 - An item was introduced by the Chair to develop a national registration database. Australia and Germany agreed to work together to put together a circular letter to seek further input on the database.

ANNEX 4

April 13, 2017

Overview of the Development of the "Catch-Up" Plan: Closing the Gap

Prior to the establishment of the IAFN coalition on Codex, the Global Pulse Confederation (GPC) developed an initiative to support the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR) and a Codex MRL establishment change plan in the context of the 2016 International Year of Pulses (IYP). One of the primary goals was to increase the capacity of the Joint Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPR) resulting in an increase number of Codex MRLs established each year. To create the enabling conditions for achieving that goal, work was begun during the last half of IYP 2016 to frame the range of Codex MRLs that would need to be established to match national MRLs established by other major regulatory authorities. That analysis, informally called the "catch-up plan", is close to being developed into a first working draft for consultation and review by the IAFN coalition. This document describes the catch-up plan for IAFN coalition members in advance of its circulation as a working draft, and outlines next steps for consultation and feedback.

This first version of the catch-up plan identifies the specific Codex MRLs by crop and active ingredient that would be required for JMPR consideration for Codex to minimally match those established in a leading jurisdiction -- in this first iteration, the US. MRLs established in other countries and not in the US, particularly for some specialty crops, will be included as the plan continues to develop.

How Was the "Catch-Up" Plan Developed?

The catch-up plan identifies the gaps in Codex MRLs as compared to US MRLs with a view toward identifying active ingredients that are (a) not already prioritized by JMPR, (b) a priority for growers, and (c) supported by registrants. The catch-up plan includes the following:

1. Listing of Codex vs US MRLs. The following data runs from the Global MRL Data Base maintained by Bryant Christie Inc. were obtained and analysed:
 - A dataset of MRLs established in the US that have a matching Codex MRL.
 - A dataset comparing US MRLs to Codex MRLs.
 - A dataset of US MRLs established with no Codex MRL.

Each of these data sets contains raw data of over 45000 lines in an Excel spreadsheet format.

2. A listing of the active ingredients that have not yet had a WHO risk assessment completed. This compares US MRLs with the active ingredients reviewed by WHO/JMPR. The years of the JMPR reviews are noted in summary Excel spreadsheet. This was to determine those actives needing a WHO review to determine WHO resources needed. The results of this comparison are in the column labelled "Does a WHO Review exist?"
3. A listing of the active ingredients that have not yet had a WHO risk assessment completed, but don't need one. For the column "Is a WHO Review needed?", the MRLs established in the US for each active ingredient were reviewed as follows: if the MRLs are set at the LOQ, JMPR will not review these active ingredients. Residues need to be greater than the LOQ for JMPR to conduct a review. For those active

ingredients with MRLs set at the LOQ, a JMPR review would not be needed. This review was done in consultation with experts from the IR-4 program.

4. A listing of active ingredients already on the priority list for JMPR review. The Excel spreadsheet notes the date of any JMPR review scheduled along with the type of review scheduled (i.e., periodic, new compound evaluation, new use added evaluation or some other review). Active ingredients already prioritized do not need to be formally included in the catch-up plan.
5. A listing of the number of missing Codex MRLs by active ingredient. The data set "US MRL, No Codex" was reviewed to use this information to estimate the number of Codex MRLs needed to catch up to the number established in the US. For each active ingredient the MRLs were summed for the Indexed Commodity (individual commodity) and the Published Commodity (considers crop grouping). The MRLs on meat, milk and eggs are by-products of the commodity review but they do represent JMPR work. It is indicated in a separate column if any MRLs for meat, milk and eggs were established for a specific active ingredient.
6. A listing of new active ingredients that do not yet have MRLs in leading jurisdictions, but once registered will also need Codex MRLs. The current work plan for the US Environmental Protection Agency will be reviewed to determine new active ingredients in the pipeline needing Codex MRLs but not currently scheduled for JMPR review. This review will provide an indication of the future JMPR workload size and determine the resources (funding) needed for continued support of JMPR.
7. An indication of registrants' support, i.e., is the registrant prepared to provide/develop the data required for Codex MRLs? Companies will be consulted to determine whether there is support for obtaining Codex MRLs for the chemical/crop combinations that currently do not have a Codex MRL. Those chemical/crop combinations with no company support will be noted and ultimately removed from the catch-up plan.
8. An indication of whether growers have expressed the active ingredient is a priority. The BCI Global MRL Priority Database will be reviewed to determine if any commodity group indicated a specific chemical/crop combination as a priority for needing a Codex MRL. Any priority will be noted in the catch-up plan.
9. Review other sources of grower priority information. MRLs established in other countries, to the extent data are available, will be reviewed to identify additional MRLs particularly for specialty crops specific to certain geographic locations. Input could be solicited from other countries (national authorities, commodity groups) on needed Codex MRLs.

Outreach

The catch-up plan will be discussed with the FAO and WHO JMPR Secretariats and possible options on how to accomplish the work will be identified. It will also be introduced as a concept at the 2017 CCPR meeting in Beijing, with a general invitation for interested parties to provide feedback and priorities as an appropriately summarized version of the plan is circulated for consultation. The need for additional information from various grower groups on Codex MRL

priorities will be a key outreach tool, including at the Global Minor Use Summit being held in Montréal, Canada in October 2017. Also, critical to the ongoing development of the plan are the process improvements to efficiently complete the catch-up plan and sustain the required pace of establishing Codex MRLs going forward. Further funding options to complete the work in the catch-up and future work will be developed in consultation with FAO and WHO. Coalitions to advocate to the WHO/FAO leadership and member states the need to establish the may be critical.

Appendix 5

Screenshot of first 30 active ingredients in spreadsheet (of ~410 actives being analysed)

Codex number	Active Ingredient	Company	Does a WHO Review Exist?	Is a WHO review Needed? (not considering a periodic review)	Comments or Explanatory Notes	Estimated number of MRLs needed to close gap with MRLs established in the US - Individual commodities (without meat, milk and egg MRLs)	Estimated number of MRLs needed to close gap with MRLs established in the US - Using crop groupings (without meat, milk and egg MRLs) as published in US Code of Federal Regulations	Would there be a need to establish Meat, Milk and Egg MRLs? (Relevant to workload of JMPR)	Year(s) of JMPR Reviews	Is the compound Scheduled for a JMPR review?	Is the compound on the JMPR Periodic Review Schedule	Is the compound on the JMPR Priority Schedule for WHO review?	Is the compound on the JMPR Priority Schedule For FAO review?	Comments
	1,3-Dichloropropene		No	Yes	Residues occur	2	2	No		No				
	1-Naphthaleneacetamide		No	Yes	Residues occur; plant growth regulator	31	12	No		No				
	1-Naphthaleneacetic acid		No	Yes	Residues occur; plant growth regulator	31	12	No		No				
20	2,4-D	Dow AgroSciences	Yes			75	16	Yes	1970, 1996T, 1998R,	No				
177	Abamectin	Syngenta	Yes	No		310	40	Yes	1992, 1997T,	Yes	No	No	Yes (2018)	New uses added: 8
95	Acephate	Arysta	Yes	No		48	12	Yes	1976, 2005T,	No				
	Acequinocyl	Arysta	No	Yes	IR-4 has a large amount of data.	141	18	Yes		No				
246	Acetamiprid	Nippon Soda	Yes	No		136	21	Yes	2011	No		2017		
280	Acetochlor	Monsanto	Yes	No		5	5	No	2015	Yes	No	No	Yes (2019)	New use evaluation: 1
	Acibenzolar-S-methyl	Syngenta	No	Yes	Plant activator; IR-4 has residue	160	11	No	2016	No				
	Acifluorfen	UPI	No	Yes	IR-4 has new requests for additional uses.	5	5	No		No				
	Afidopyropen	SeikaPharma /BASF	No	Yes	Not Registered but scheduled for JMPR					Yes	No	Yes (2019)	Yes (2019)	New compound evaluation: 13
	Alachlor	Monsanto	No	No	Residues at					No				
118	Alpha-Cypermethrin		Yes	No		56	8	Yes		No				
260	Ametoctradin	BASF	Yes	No		65	7	No	2012	No				
	Ametryn		No							No				
272	Aminocyclopyrachlor	DuPont	Yes	No	All of US MRLs have associated Codex MRLs.				2014	No				
220	Aminopyralid	Down AgroSciences	Yes	No		1	1	Yes	2007	No				
	Aviglycine		No			13	3	No		No				
2	Azinphos-methyl	Not	Yes	No		4	3	No	1965,	Yes	Yes (2019)			
	Azoxystrobin	Syngenta	Yes	No		251	67	Yes	2008	No				
	BAS 750F	BASF	No	Yes	Not registered in the US to date. On schedule for					Yes	No	Yes (2019)	Yes (2019)	New compound evaluation: 24
155	Benalaxyl		Yes	No		1	1	No	1986, 2005T,	No				
	Benoxacor	Syngenta	No	No	Seed treatment and all MRLs set at LOQ.					No				
	Bensulide		No	No	Pre-emergent herbicide; MRLs set at LOQ					No				
172	Bentazone	BASF	Yes	No		45	5	Yes	1991, 2012T, 2004	Yes	No	No	Yes (2018)	New use added: 1
261	Benzovindiflupyr	Syngenta	Yes	No		174	20	No	2013	Yes	No	No	Yes (2019)	New use added: 4

ANNEX 6

Coalition for an Enhanced Codex

Calendar of Events, 2017

3 coalition calls / year

6 funders' calls / year

2017				
Date	Location	Meeting	Coalition Participant	Side Event/Notes
16 January-20 January	Nairobi, Kenya	22 nd Session of the FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Africa (CCAFRICA22)		
23 February		Codex Coalition - Call		
28 February	Rome, Italy	1st Meeting of the FAO Committee on Agriculture's Open-Ended Working Group on Funding for Food Safety Scientific Advice	J.B. Cordaro (Mars, Inc.) ; Ben Robinson (IAFN) ; Yves Le Bail-Collet (Cargill) ; Olivier Espeisse (ELANCO) ;	
6 to 9 March	Quito, Ecuador	Codex Colloquium funded by US/Canada	Lois Rossi	Lois held a side-event
23 March		Codex Coalition - Call		

Date	Location	Meeting	Coalition Participant	Side Event/Notes
28 March-29 March	Nairobi, Kenya	MRL Workshop	Michael Kaethner, Bayer	
20 April		Codex Coalition - Call		
25 April-29 April	Beijing, China	49 th Session of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR49)	Lois Rossi (consultant) Ray Mcallister, CropLife America Ron Williams, Coca-Cola Carmen Tiu, Dow Agrosiences Louise Roberge, Tea Association of Canada Todd Scholz, GPC Alan Ding, GAFTA Peter Horne, Dupont Michael Kaethner, Bayer James Cranney, International Society of Citriculture	Registration deadline: 24 March Accredited observers may register here: http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/registration/en/ Meeting docs: http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings-reports/detail/en/?meeting=CCPR&session=49

Date	Location	Meeting	Coalition Participant	Side Event/Notes
14 May-17 May	San Jose, Costa Rica	6 th Latin American Pesticide Residue Workshop		
15 May-19 May	Rome, Italy	9 th Session of the FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for the Near East (CCNEA9)		
25 May		Codex Coalition - Call		
30 May	Rome, Italy Hotel Capo d'Africa	Funders' in-person meeting	Carel du Marchie Sarvaas June Arnold Christoph Neumann Gord Kurbis Randy Duckworth Rick White	
June	San Francisco, USA	California Specialty Crop Council	Carmen Lois	
29 June		Funders' call		
6 July		Codex Coalition - Call		
10-13 July	Geneva, Switzerland	CCEXEC Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission		

Date	Location	Meeting	Coalition Participant	Side Event/Notes
14-15 July	Geneva, Switzerland	WTO Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures	Ray McAllister Rob Ahern's colleague IGTC representative	
17 July-22 July	Geneva, Switzerland	40 th Session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC40)	Ray Mc Allister Katy Lee Olivier Espeisse Several HealthforAnimals colleagues Rob Ahern's colleague	July 19 – NGO participation in Codex panel. IGTC will be speaking as IGTC.
20 August-24 August	Washington DC, USA	254 th American Chemical Society National Meeting	Carmen Tiu Heidi Irrig Rendall Natalie Weber Gretchen Flanley Gord Kurbis	August 22: Pesticide registration, monitoring and enforcement (USAA, EDA, FDA) – John Johnson August 23-24 1.5 day symposium on communications for the pesticide industry
20 September	Rome, Italy	2 nd Meeting of the FAO Committee on Agriculture's Open-Ended Working Group on Funding for Food Safety Scientific Advice	Martin Maerkl Carel du Marchis Sarvaas Olivier Espeisse	
21 September		Funders' call		

Date	Location	Meeting	Coalition Participant	Side Event/Notes
26-28 September	Geneva, Switzerland	WTO Public Forum: "Trade behind the Headlines"	Gord Kurbis Katy Lee June Arnold	GAFTA spoke at side-event on SDGs with ICC Programme : https://www.wto.org/english/forums_e/public_forum17_e/pf17programme.pdf
28 September		Codex Coalition – Call Prep for minor use		
1 October-4 October	Montreal, Canada	3 rd Global Minor Use Summit (GMUS-3)	Lois Rossi Ray McAllister Gord Kurbis Heidi Irrig Louise Roberge Rep from Syngenta Chris Warfield Wibke Meyer Carmen Tiu Peter Horne Matt Lantz	Oct 1: Lunch meeting hosted by Tea and Herbal Association of Canada: Gord Kurbis to speak 11.30am to 1.30pm Dorchester Room
9 October-13 October	Rome, Italy	44 th Plenary Session of the UN Committee on Food Security	Rick White Carel du Marchie Sarvaas Randy Duckworth Christoph Neumann Regina Ammann Juan Gonzalez Valero Siang Hee Tan	

Date	Location	Meeting	Coalition Participant	Side Event/Notes
			Brian Lowry June Arnold	
10 October	Rome, Italy	Funders' in person		
1 November	Geneva, Switzerland	2017 WTO Advanced Course on the SPS	June Arnold	Three-week course June Arnold, speaker for the Session on "Pesticide MRLs, the SPS Agreement and the Role of the Private Sector"
6 to 10 November	Rome, Italy	FAO Programme Committee		
6 to 10 November	Rome, Italy	FAO Finance Committee		
November (2nd week)	Guadalajara, Mexico	NAFTA Pesticide Working Group	Gord Kurbis	
13 to 17 November	Chicago, USA	Codex Committee on Food Hygiene		
November	Canada	Capacity-building workshop for JMPR experts sponsored by Canadian government		

Date	Location	Meeting	Coalition Participant	Side Event/Notes
27 November to 1 December	Jeju, Korea	Ad Hoc Codex Intergovernmental Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance		
4 to 8 December	Berlin, Germany	Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses		
4 to 8 December	Rome, Italy	FAO Council		
7 December		Funders' Call		
10-13 December	Buenos Aires, Argentina	11th World Trade Organisation (WTO) Ministerial Conference	Maria Beatriz Pilu Giraudo, Global Farmer Network	Maria spoke at event panel regarding science and its impact on trade and food security organized by the US
14 December		Codex coalition - Call		