

Item 4 – Non-EU matters

Regulatory Affairs Committee teleconference Tuesday 26th March 2024 (3.00 – 5.00 pm CET)



Regulatory Sandbox for cell-cultivated products (CCPs)

- FSA/FSS bid for a 2-year programme to run a regulatory sandbox with a small number of CM companies expected in April
- If successful, project shall start in October
- Presented as a "win win" for both regulators and industry, with more clarity on dossier requirements and risk assessments reducing the number of "stop the clock" requests.
- No immediate change in legislation foreseen.





Regulated products reforms

- No re-authorisation process (i.e. feed additives or GM food/feed)
- Allow authorisations to come into force via an official register, rather than by secondary legislation (currently 3 to 6 months delay in regulatory process).

Next steps

- If the reforms receive ministerial support, public consultation on two proposed legislative reforms in Spring;
- "More fundamental changes to the current system and (...) further plans for this longerterm reform" should be brought to FSA Board in June 2024.



Singapore

SIAW

- <u>Singapore International Agri-Food Week</u> between 18th and 22nd November 2024;
- Roundtable on Novel Foods on Monday 18th November.



Codex Alimentarius

Informal Technical Working Group (TWG) on cell-based food and precision fermentation

- Joint FAO/WHO working group.
- Already includes: Australia, Canada, China, EU, Germany, Iran, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, Qatar, South Korea, Singapore, Saudi Arabia, UAE, UK, USA and Yemen.
- FAO & WHO wishes to expand it to more countries.
- "At this stage, the discussions are limited to the issues related to regulatory activities, thus the group does not have any stakeholders or Codex Observers, however, in the future, if multisectoral discussions are requested, FAO/WHO will consider creating a group to include all the stakeholders".
- Application deadline was 15th March.



Thank you for your attention!