



Minutes

Meeting of the Expert Group on Plant Health (E00925) Exceptions for Movement of Scientific Material 22 January 2019, 16h00-17h00

Chair : European Commission (COM), DG SANTE (Units G1 - Plant Health, G3 – Official Controls – G5 Alerts, traceability and committees).

Present : Experts of the Member States

Topic	Documents
Objectives of the meeting Presentation and discussion of last comments received from Member states, on the draft Delegated Regulation setting out rules concerning exceptions for pests, plants, plant products and other objects for the purpose of scientific trials under the new Regulation 2016/2031 (Basic Regulation).	
Introduction The Commission opened the fourth meeting of the Expert Group, welcomed the Experts, and presented the objectives of the meeting. The Commission noted that the Council and the Parliament were not present.	
1 Elements for discussion - The aim of the meeting was to ask assistance to the Experts on the last comments received on the drafted Delegated Regulation, and on the proposals made by the Commission. - Overall, the experts agreed on the proposals made on the text and the annexes - A stepwise approach for the use of IMSOC was proposed. The use of electronic stamp or signature remains a possible alternative to paper versions, and is not mandatory. - The Commission clarified that the official laboratories do not need an extra authorization by the National Competent Authorities for the purpose of this Delegated Act - The Commission clarified that this act is in line with the OCR as regards to the Border controls and the definitions used. - The Commission will reconsider the wording of Article7.	-Draft Delegated Regulation -
Conclusion - The Commission thanked the Experts for their assistance. - It is noted that the Experts proposed additional minor changes - The following planning was agreed by the Experts: 1. Writing finalization of Delegated Regulation by the Commission.	

	2. Text and Annexes provided to the Experts for final last major comments 3. Adoption by the College (Q2).	
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