



**6TH MEETING OF THE INDEPENDENT ADVISORY PANEL ON
CHARACTERISING FLAVOURS IN TOBACCO PRODUCTS (IAP)
AUDIOCONFERENCE
25 May 2018
MINUTES**

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The Secretariat welcomed the members of the panel. There was one apology (Jan van Amsterdam).

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as proposed.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no new interests declared.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting were adopted and would be published on the website of the IAP subsequent to the meeting.¹

5. EXCHANGE WITH THE TECHNICAL GROUP OF SENSORY AND CHEMICAL ASSESSORS

The Consortium EUREST-FLAVOURS organizing the work of the Technical Group of Sensory and Chemical Assessors (TG) presented the work carried out so far, in particular the progress in relation to the proposed selection of potential products to be considered for the group of reference products (task 1.1 of the tender specifications²), as well as progress and discussions regarding the identification, screening, selection and recruitment of potential sensory assessors (task 4).

The IAP discussed the approach presented by the TG and provided feedback. The TG would share presentations and their overall and specific work-plans with the IAP for comments and feedback. The TG would furthermore share the proposed list of reference products with the IAP. That list should be finalized at the next meeting of the IAP, following a consultation of the Member States through the “Ingredients Subgroup” (which would meet on 6 June). Furthermore, the list of proposed members for the sensory panel should be discussed at the next meeting to allow a timely start of the training (task 5.1). Time permitting, the refined methodology in relation to the product testing in order to establish the reference group (task 1.2) and preliminary

¹ https://ec.europa.eu/health/tobacco/products/characterising_flavours/panel_en#fragment0

² <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/document/document-file-download.html?docFileId=31010>

work on the methodology to support the decision taking on products regarding characterising flavours (task 2) should be also discussed at the next meeting.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The IAP briefly reflected on the discussion with the TG and agreed on the way forward to provide feedback. It was agreed to provide comments on the presentation and the overall workplan to the TG before the next meeting.

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