



55TH MEETING OF THE INDEPENDENT ADVISORY PANEL ON CHARACTERISING FLAVOURS IN TOBACCO PRODUCTS

17 OCTOBER 2023 (08:30-16:30)

VENUE: LUXEMBOURG, DRB A1/037

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1. Introduction and welcome

The Chair welcomed all the participants. One IAP Member was absent and had excused his presence in advance of the meeting.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The Chair suggested to give priority to the discussion of point 7 in order to be able to comply with the existing deadlines. mod.

3. Declaration of interests

No declarations of interest were stated.

4. Adoption of minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted subject to further editorial modifications.

5. Regulatory updates

This agenda point had no important updates. DG SANTE updated the IAP group on the Draft Commission Decision which is in process.

6. Input to the kick-off of the new framework contract for Technical Group

DG Sante informed the IAP in the new framework contract .

There was a discussion covering both operational (eg., communication) and technical aspects (eg., chemical and data analysis) between IAP and TG, this discussion will be continued in forthcoming meetings.

7. IAP Opinions

The results of rank rating were discussed for the products under request F and the IAP came to a conclusion. The IAP decided to vote on the adoption of opinion F via the written procedure, to allow for final editorial finalisation of the text after the meeting.

Regarding request G, the IAP discussed with the TG on the suitability of further chemical analysis on the presence of certain chemicals to better support their final opinion. This might require extension of the deadline for adopting the opinion.

8. Future work/Next steps

Adoption of Opinion F by written procedure in the coming days.

Further chemical analysis for the product under request G.

9. Any other business

It was suggested that the secretariat could schedule a visit for the IAP to the laboratories where the sensory analyses are carried out in January/February 2024.