



**34TH MEETING OF THE INDEPENDENT ADVISORY PANEL ON
CHARACTERISING FLAVOURS IN TOBACCO PRODUCTS (IAP)**

29 OCTOBER 2021 (10:30-13:30)

VENUE: TEAMS VIDEOCONFERENCE

- MEETING MINUTES -

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The Chair welcomed the members of the panel. There was one apology (Garnt Dijksterhuis).

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 subject to minor editorial modifications. Subsequently, they will be published on the website of the IAP.¹

5. UPDATE ON THE REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS

No new requests or notifications have been received since the last meeting.

6. INPUT FROM THE TECHNICAL GROUP (TG)

IAP discussed the progress of requests B, C and D. In this context, TG updated the panel on administrative issues with the product shipments which may eventually delay preparation of the future opinions.

7. DISCUSSION ON THE DRAFT OPINION OF THE PANEL

IAP processed the complete dataset of sensory and chemical results for all 12 products of the “request A”, including supplementary statistical analysis provided by TG in advance of the meeting. The results were assessed against the IAP methodology and the individual steps of its decision tree and there was an agreement in principle, that all the criteria were fulfilled to enable the decision whether these

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

products have a characterising flavour. The final opinions are expected to be adopted in the next meeting subject to final editing of all the TG reports, including the incorporation of the statistical data discussed in this meeting.

8. FUTURE WORK/NEXT STEPS

The next meetings have been tentatively scheduled for 18th November and 7th December.

TG informed about the upcoming testing sessions schedule, subject to the sample delivery.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No other topics have been tabled for discussion. The Chair thanked the participants and looked forward to the next meeting of the Panel.

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Members of the IAP

Alberto Del Rio
Jan van Amsterdam
Wouter Visser
Emmanuel Vanzeveren
Efthimios Zervas (Chair)

IAP Secretariat (DG SANTE B2)

Other Commission services (DG JRC F4)

Representatives of the EUREST-FLAVOURS consortium