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Subject: Participation in the Impact Assessment Steering Group on the definition of criteria for the identification of Endocrine Disruptors and invitation to its first meeting on 20 January 2014

We have the pleasure to invite your services to participate in the Impact Assessment Steering Group (IASG), concerning the definition of criteria for identifying Endocrine Disruptors (EDs) in the European legislation.

The Plant Protection Product Regulation (PPPR) recognises the lack of criteria for identification of EDs and requires the Commission to present a draft of the measures concerning specific scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine disrupting properties (in relation to human health impacts) to be further adopted by comitology.

Similarly to the PPPR, the Biocidal Products Regulation (BPR) also recognises the lack of criteria for identification of EDs and requires the Commission to adopt delegated acts specifying scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine-disrupting properties.

In addition to PPPR and BPR, specific provisions governing EDs are included as well in other pieces of the EU legislation: the Chemicals Regulation REACH (REACH), the Cosmetics Regulation (CR), the Water Framework Directive (WFD) and a Commission proposal for the Medical Devices Regulation (MDR).

In view of these circumstances, DG ENV and DG SANCO have agreed that the definition of horizontal criteria for the identification of EDs is the best way to enable a harmonised approach across the different pieces of legislation. For further details on the envisaged scope of the work, please see the enclosed draft roadmap for the impact assessment, which is jointly led by DG SANCO and DG ENV.

Please let us know if your services are interested in participating in the IASG by nominating the name of your expert(s) to [redacted] (email: [redacted]) and [redacted] (email: [redacted]) before 17 January.

We are planning for the **first meeting of the IASG to take place on Monday 20 January between 10:00 and 12:30 in Centre A. Borchette, rue Froissart 36, 1050 Brussels, room 5B.** Some colleagues in your services have been already informed via an outlook invitation.

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