

Current aspects of Risk-Based Meat Safety Assurance Systems (RB-MSAS)

Workshop on 21. September 2023 in relation to
the Annual Meeting in the European College of Veterinary Public Health

Every day, tremendous efforts and resources are spent on ensuring meat safety - either during the preharvest phase, at harvest or during postharvest. The question is how meat safety assurance could be made more coherent, sustainable, and cost-effective than seen at current? Moreover, meat inspection is undergoing a transformative phase, which involves intricate concerns such as food safety, meat waste reduction, and preservation of the competitiveness of the livestock industry.

An international COST Action network called RIBMINS has been working on the development of risk-based meat safety assurance systems (RB-MSAS). By embracing the risk-based principle and integrating it with the UN Sustainable Development Goals, we suggest addressing the existing complex issues in a holistic way.

At the workshop, the participants will be presented with a brief overview of the ideas developed in RIBMINS, including the basics of RB-MSAS and some specific examples. Thereafter, the participants will be asked to reflect on the presented subjects using a SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats) approach.

Online participation will be possible.

Draft agenda

13.30 - 13.40 Introduction to the workshop and the RIBMINS COST Action network – **Lis Alban** (DK)

13.40 - 13.50 The concept of RB-MSAS – **Bojan Blagojevic** (SR)

13.50 - 14.00 Code lists and condemnation criteria in risk-based meat inspection – **Madalena Vieira-Pinto** (PT)

14.00 - 14.10 How to handle the risk associated with residues of antimicrobials in meat? - **Lis Alban** (DK)

14.10 – 14.20 Training needs of meat inspectors – **Eduarda Gomes Neves** (PT)

14.20 - 14.50 Discussion in smaller groups using a SWOT approach – **ALL**

14.50 - 15.20 Presentation of SWOT data – **Sophia Johler** (CH)

15.20 – 15.30 Summing up – **Lis Alban** (DK)

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Maximum number of participants: 40 on the site + an unlimited number participating online

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