



CEFS TASK FORCE ON NUTRITION POLICIES

Update on the latest work

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Outline

1. Evaluation of Claims Regulation with regards nutrient profiles
2. EFSA mandate on added sugars
3. EU Strategy on Nutrition: Added Sugars Annex & other issues



Evaluation of Claims Regulation with regards nutrient profiles

CEFS interview with consultant

- Feb 2017: CEFS answer to stakeholders' survey
- April 2017: interview of CEFS
 - Done at meeting of Task Force on Nutrition Policies
 - CEFS reiterated its position
 - Illustration of arguments with examples of products currently on the market (thank you!)
- Consultant conducts interviews until end of June and will write report over summer
- EC to communicate their intentions based on report. Timing unclear

Latest actions

Strong/aggressive lobby for EU nutrient profiles

- 15 May: Open letter from 5 multinationals, BEUC, EPHA and EHN asking for EU nutrient profiles to be set now
 - Letter sent to several EU Commissioners, heads of DG SANTE/GROW, & ENVI and IMCO MEPs
 - 1 June: **Counter-letter** co-signed by Federalimentare, BLL, Luxembourg federation, FIAB, CEFS, CLITRAVI, EDA, EFFAT & ADICONSUM sent to same officials + Commissioner Hogan
- Nestlé to organize meeting by invitation only



EFSA Mandate on Added Sugars

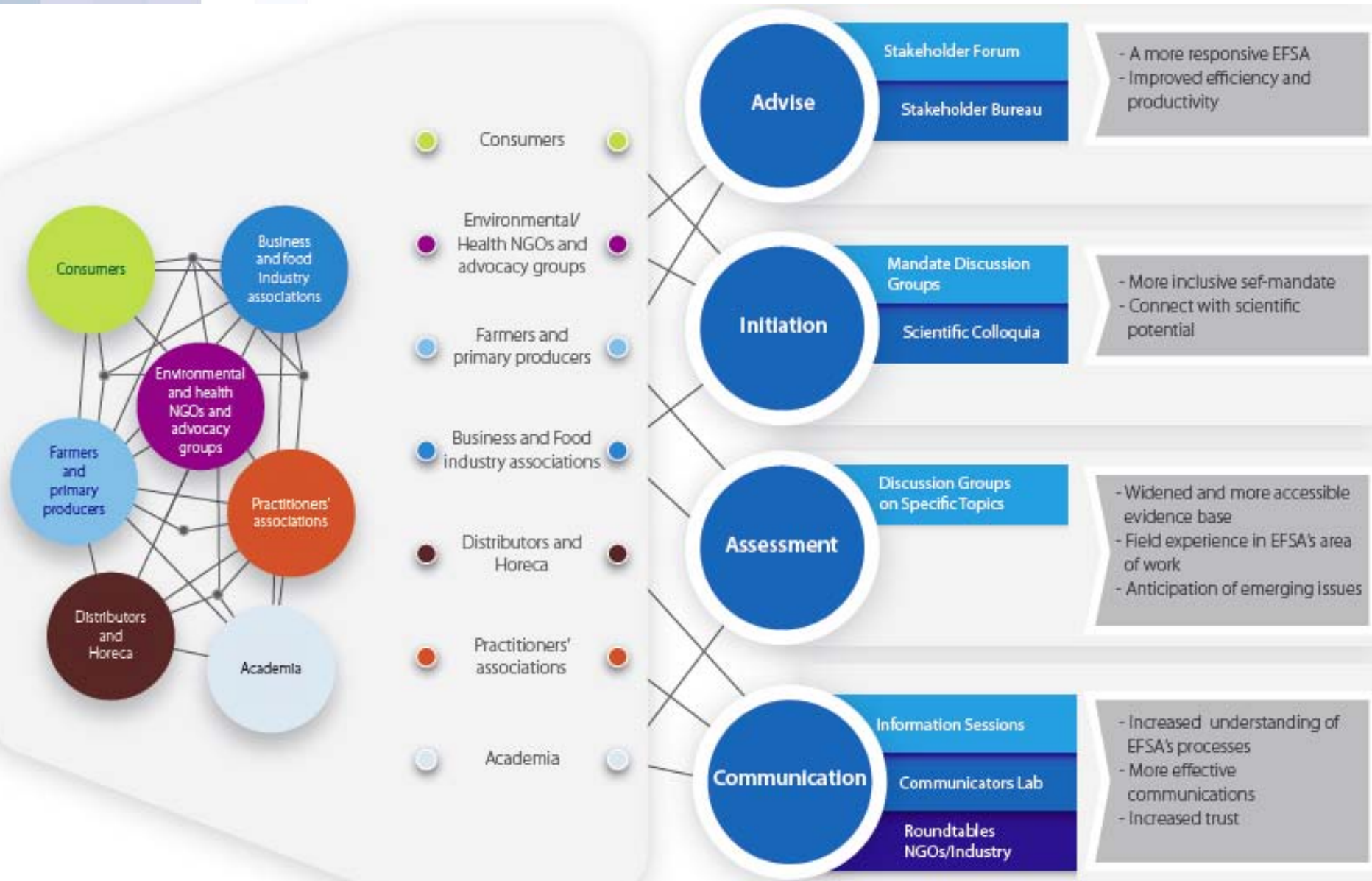
Background

- Update the 2010 EFSA's Scientific Opinion on Dietary Reference Values for carbohydrates and dietary fibre
- Derive science-based cut-off value for added sugars
- Outcome should help MS recommendations & food-based dietary guidelines

7 work packages

- 1: Establishment of ad hoc WG** (by *31 May 2017*)
- 2: Development of the draft protocol** (by *31 December 2017*)
- 3: Public consultation on the draft protocol** (by *30 April 2018*)
- 4: Development of the opinion** (by *29 February 2020*)
- 5: Public consultation on the draft opinion** (by *31 January 2020*)
- 6: Technical meeting with stakeholders** (by *30 November 2019*)
- 7: Post-adoption dissemination and follow-up activities** (by *30 September 2020*)

New EFSA Stakeholder Approach



CEFS Preparation

- CEFS will take part in the consultations on behalf of the EU sugar industry.
 - CEFS will coordinate with WSRO on the scientific questions
- CEFS applied to be an EFSA registered stakeholder
- CEFS attended the First Meeting of the EFSA Stakeholder Forum in PFP delegation
- CEFS obtained clarifications about EFSA's mandate



EU Strategy on Nutrition: Added Sugars Annex & other issues

Added Sugars Annex

- State of play
 - **Benchmarks WG**: No progress on actual reduction targets
 - **Monitoring WG**: JANPA work on methodology to monitor added sugars reduction progressed
 - **MS reported actions**
 - Norway presented work with retailers
 - Finland to create online platform for stakeholders to exchange best practices
 - Germany intends to undertake actions on reformulation
- CEFS contacts
 - Meeting with new Chair of EU Platform for Action on Diet, Physical Activity and Health (March 2017)
 - Meeting with new BEUC Nutrition Officer (March 2017)

High Level Group/EU Platform

- Presentation of priorities of upcoming Presidency trio (Estonia, Bulgaria, Austria)
 - Continuity on nutrition dossiers expected
- 16 June: Health Council to adopt conclusions to contribute towards halting the rise in childhood obesity
- Presentation by SAFE on sugar
 - Extreme statements on sugar
 - Presentation of colour-coded label for sugars-related claims



Thank you

