

## ANSES participation in European and international expert groups and networks

ANSES carries out many of its missions in a European and international context. This includes risk assessment and expert assessments in response to requests, risk assessments and marketing authorisations for regulated products<sup>1</sup>, the reference laboratory and collaboration centre mandates held by its entities, and the ANSES research programmes which are in line with the European Union's framework programme. ANSES works with other agencies in Europe and around the world in a spirit of cooperation, exchange of information on their respective activities, joint creation and complementarity. The Agency therefore strives to maintain active involvement on the European and international stage at several levels, through:

- staff participation in expert committees and groups, involvement in networks of peer institutions,
- its role as the French contact point in networks bringing together representatives of the Member States (MS), for example, as national focal point for the European Food Safety Agency (EFSA), as National Reference Centre for Environmental Health for the European Environment Agency (EEA), etc.,
- high-quality research in European projects,
- and holding mandates as collaborating centres or reference laboratories (FAO, OIE, WHO, EU<sup>2</sup>).

As a result, ANSES staff are members of many European and international committees and expert groups, and may take part in them in an institutional capacity (on behalf of ANSES or France) or individually in a scientific and technical capacity. ANSES encourages participation of its staff in European and international expert groups and committees.

A non-exhaustive survey, carried out in 2018, identified more than 250 examples of participation. All ANSES's scientific entities (departments and laboratories), as well as some cross-cutting entities, contribute to European and international groups and committees.

The Agency plays an active role in these various bodies:

- by participating in decision-making or advisory bodies, developing strategy and planning expert activities;
- by providing data or seconding experts, and by developing assessment methodologies and drawing up recommendations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Plant protection products, fertilisers, growing media, biocides and veterinary medicinal products

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; OIE: World Organisation for Animal Health; WHO: World Health Organization; EU: European Union



## All of the Agency's areas of activity are covered:



<sup>\*</sup>Chemical contaminants: exposure, toxicology, risk assessment, etc.

As shown in the diagram below (Figure 1), ANSES staff participate in committees managed by the main European and international institutions working in the fields covered by the Agency<sup>3</sup>.



It should be noted that some groups are mixed, so the total does not add up to  $100\%^4$ 

<sup>\*\*</sup>Others: Regulatory applications; Brexit; Nutritional composition of food/Nutrition; Microbiological hazards; Water; BSE; IT and security; Methods; Nanos; Novel foods; GMOs; Social sciences, etc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> EFSA: European Food Safety Authority; EMA: European Medicines Agency; ECHA: European Chemicals Agency; HMA: Heads of Medicines Agencies; FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; EPPO: European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organisation; OIE: World Organisation for Animal Health; WHO: World Health Organization; CEN: European Committee for Standardization; SANTE: European Commission's Directorate General for Health and Food Safety

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Other institutions include: JRC: Joint Research Centre; EDQM: European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines and Healthcare of the Council of Europe; OECD: Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development; *Codex Alimentarius*; IPPC: International Plant Protection Convention, etc.



At the European level, they are represented in the scientific networks, working groups and expert panels of various European agencies: EFSA (European Food Safety Authority), EMA (European Medicines Agency) and ECHA (European Chemicals Agency), as well as in various independent scientific committees within the European Commission (e.g. responsible for non-food risk assessment). In some cases, for example with EFSA and EMA, the Agency may also be the national representative appointed by the French government. In addition, ANSES scientists participate in the committees of the Heads of Medicines Agencies (HMA), European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organisation (EPPO) and European Committee for Standardisation (CEN).

At the international level, ANSES also contributes to the work of international scientific panels set up by organisations such as the World Health Organisation (WHO), Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO), Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and *Codex Alimentarius*, as well as the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

The tables below present a (non-exhaustive) list of the groups in which ANSES takes part, in the European or international institutions with the highest numbers of participation:

EFSA (European Food Safety Agency) Participation in scientific networks, panels, working groups, others			
Network on Risk Assessment in Animal Health and Welfare (AHAW)  Animal health and welfare			
Network on Microbiological Risk Assessment (MRA)	Biological hazards		
Network on BSE/TSE (BSE/TSE)	Biological hazards		
Emerging Risk Exchange Network (EREN)	Cross-cutting issues		
Network on Risk Assessment of Nanotechnologies in Food and Feed (NANO)	Cross-cutting issues		
Network on Food Contact Materials (FCM)	Food ingredients and packaging		
Network for Risk Assessment on GMOs (GMO)	GMOs		
Network on Risk Assessment in Plant Health (PLH)	Plant health		
Pesticide Steering Network ( <b>PSN</b> )	Pesticides		
Network for Zoonoses Monitoring Data	Data		
Network on Food Consumption Data	Data		
Network on Chemical Monitoring Data Collection	Data		
Network on Novel foods	Nutrition		
Communication Experts Network (CEN)	Communication		
Panel on Animal Health and Welfare (AHAW)	Animal health and welfare		
Panel on Biological Hazards (BHP)	Biological hazards		
Panel on Food Contact Materials, Enzymes and Processing Aids (CEP)	Food ingredients and packaging		
Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain (CONTAM)	Contaminants in food and feed		
Panel on Plant Health (PLH)	Plant health		
Working Group on Animal Welfare at Slaughter	Animal health and welfare		
Working Group on Avian Influenza	Animal health and welfare		
Working Group on Meat Inspection	Biological hazards		
Working Group on Technical Specifications on the Harmonised Monitoring			
and Reporting of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) in Zoonotic and Indicator	Biological hazards		
Bacteria Transmitted Through Food			
Working Group for Technical Support to Collect and Analyse Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) Data in the Joint ECDC-EFSA Molecular Typing Database	Biological hazards		



Working Group on the Maintenance of the List of QPS Biological Agents Intentionally Added to Food or Feed, as Notified to EFSA	Biological hazards
Working Group on Update and Review of Control Options for Campylobacter	Biological hazards
Working Group on the European Baseline Survey on Norovirus in Oysters	Biological hazards
Working Group on AMR and GP Feed Residues	Biological hazards
Working Group on Ochratoxin A in Food	Chemical contaminants
Working Group on Chemical Mixtures	Cross-cutting
Working Group on Multiple Stressors in Bees	Cross-cutting
Working Group on Food Additives	Food ingredients and packaging
Working Group on Food Contact Materials	Food ingredients and packaging
Working Group on Sweeteners	Food ingredients and packaging
Aged sorption Working Group	Plant health
Working Group on FOCUS Surface Water Repair Action	Plant health
Advisory Forum	Strategic
Focal Points	Strategic

EMA (European Medicines Agency)	
EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY SCIENCE MEDICINES HEALTH	hers
Board of Administrators	Strategic
Committee for Medicinal Products for Veterinary Use (CVMP)	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Coordination Group for Mutual Recognition and Decentralised Procedures -	Veterinary medicinal
Veterinary (CMD(v))	products
Pharmacovigilance Working Party	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Immunology Working Party	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Scientific Advice Working Party	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Safety Working Party	Veterinary medicinal
	products
European Network Data Board	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Substance, Product, Organisation and Referential (SPOR) Data Task Force	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Veterinary Harmonisation Working Group	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Veterinary Experts Subgroup	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Strategic Planning Group	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Task Force on Availability of Authorised Medicines	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Pharmacovigilance Inspection Working Group	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Working groups on the operational readiness of the committees for medicina	l Veterinary medicinal
products for human and veterinary use	products
European Surveillance Strategy Working Group	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Antimicrobials Working Party	Veterinary medicinal
	products
Task Force on Coordination of the Implementation of the Veterinary Regulation	<u> </u>
	products



European Surveillance of Veterinary Antimicrobial Consumption (ESVAC) Network and its expert groups	Veterinary medicinal products, AMR
Good Manufacturing and Distribution Practices (GMP/GDP) Inspectors Working Group	Veterinary medicinal products
Working Group on Health-based Exposure Limits	Veterinary medicinal products
Environmental Risk Assessment Working Party	Veterinary medicinal products
Working Group on the Application of the 3Rs in Regulatory Testing	Veterinary medicinal products
International Cooperation on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products (VICH) – Anthelmintics Expert WG	Veterinary medicinal products
ECHA (European Chemicals Agency) Participation in committees, working groups, others	
Biocidal Products Committee (BPC)	Biocides
Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC)	REACh and CLP
Committee for Socio-economic Analysis (SEAC)	REACh and CLP
Permanent Technical Working Group for the Assessment of Active Biocidal Substances: "Human Health"	Biocides
Permanent Technical Working Group for the Assessment of Active Biocidal Substances: "Environment"	Biocides
Permanent Technical Working Group for the Assessment of Active Biocidal Substances: "Efficacy"	Biocides
Permanent Technical Working Group for the Assessment of Active Biocidal Substances: "Analytical methods and physico-chemical properties"	Biocides
Petroleum and Coal Stream Substances (PetCo) Working Group	Chemical contaminants
Exchange Network on Exposure Scenarios (ENES)	Chemical contaminants
Nanomaterials Expert Group	Chemical contaminants
Endocrine Disruptor Expert Group	REACh chemicals and biocides
Informal Risk Management and Evaluation Platform (RIME+)	Chemical contaminants
Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic Substances (PBT) Expert Group	Biocides
Network of IT security officers	Organisational and
	information systems
	security

DG SANTE, EC (European Commission's Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety) Participation in working groups, expert groups, others		
Subgroup on Ingredients	Tobacco	
Working Group on Post-Approval Issues (PAI) for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009	Plant protection products	
Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (SCCS)	Chemical contaminants	
EU Task Force on Monitoring Animal Disease Eradication - Brucellosis Subgroup	Animal health	
Expert Group on Veterinary Drug Residue Control (FVO)	Veterinary medicinal products	
Inter-Zonal Steering Committee for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009	Plant protection products	
Expert Group of Competent Authorities for the Implementation of the Biocidal Products Regulation	Biocides	
Standing Committee on Biocidal Products	Biocides	
External audit of co-financed rabies eradication programmes	Animal health	



CEN (European Committee for Standardization) Participation in technical committees, working groups, etc.	
CEN / TC 453: Dietary supplements and sports food free of doping substances	Food safety
CEN / TC 216 / WG 5: Strategy Group	Biocides
CEN / TC 275 / WG 10: Elements and their chemical species	Standardisation of analytical methods
CEN / TC 275 / WG 3: Pesticides	Plant protection products; Chemical contaminants
CEN / TC 275 / WG 14: Marine biotoxins	Food safety

Organisation mondiale de la Santé	WHO (World Health Organization) Participation in expert groups, others	
WHO Advisory Group Resistance (AGISAR)	on Integrated Surveillance of Antimicrobial	Antibiotic resistance
Expert Committee on	Rabies	Animal health

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations  FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)  Participation in committees, working groups, others		
Monitoring antimicrobial resistance in animal bacterial pathogens of diseased livestock and poultry  Antibiotic resistance		
International Network of	Food Data Systems (INFOODS) - Guidelines	Nutritional composition of foods

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations	FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United No WHO (World Health Organisation) FAO/WHO framework for the provision of scientific advi	·
Organisation mondiale de la Santé	Participation in committees, working groups, others	
Joint Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) - Veterinary Drug Residues		Veterinary drug residues in food
Joint Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) - Contaminants		Chemical contaminants in food
Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide Residues (JMPR)  Pesticide residues		Pesticide residues
Joint FAO/WHO Meeting on Pesticide Specifications (JMPS)  Pesticides		Pesticides
Joint FAO/WHO Expert M	eetings on Microbiological Risk Assessment (JEMRA)	Food safety: Zoonoses

CODEX ALIMENTARIUS  NORMES ALIMENTAIRES INTERNATIONALES  Proprietation in Notice Library Days  Opportunities  O	Codex Alimentarius (international food standards)  Participation in committees and working groups (on their own or in support of the competent authorities)	
Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR)  Pesticide residues		Pesticide residues
Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods (CCRVDF)		Veterinary drug residues in food
Ad Hoc Codex Intergovernmental Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance (TFAMR)		Antibiotic resistance
Various working groups		Veterinary drug residues in food

OIE (World Organisation for Animal Health) Participation in committees, working groups, others	
Orbivirus Group	Animal health
Non-Tsetse Transmitted Animal Trypanosomoses (NTTAT) Network	Animal health



International Cooperation on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration	Veterinary medicinal
of Veterinary Medicinal Products (VICH)	products
Ad hoc Working Group on Antimicrobial Resistance	Antibiotic resistance
Ad hoc Group on Prioritisation of Diseases for which Vaccines could Reduce	Antibiotic resistance
Antimicrobial Use in Animals	Antibiotic resistance
OIE/FAO: Network of Expertise on Animal Influenza (OFFLU) - Technical Group on Swine	Animal health
Influenza Virus	Allillal llealti

EPPO (European and Mediterranean Plant Protection Organization) Participation in panels, working groups, others	
Panel on Quarantine Pests for Forestry	Plant health
Panel on Diagnostics in Virology and Phytoplasmology	Plant health
Panel on Diagnostics in Entomology	Plant health
Panel on Invasive Alien Plants	Plant health
Expert Working Group - Core Members for Reviewing PRAs	Plant health
Panel on Diagnostics in Nematology	Plant health
Panel on Diagnostics and Quality Assurance	Plant health
Panel on Efficacy Evaluation of Herbicides	Plant health
Panel on Efficacy Evaluation of Fungicides and Insecticides	Plant health
Panel on General Standards	Plant health
Panel on Diagnostics in Bacteriology	Plant health