

## When

September 26th, 2013

## Venue

EFSA – European Food Safety Authority  
Via Carlo Magno 1A  
43126 Parma, ITALY

## Registration

All participants are kindly request to register on line within the **30th of August** at:  
[www.unibo.it/Baseline-SecondWorkshop-2013](http://www.unibo.it/Baseline-SecondWorkshop-2013)

## Fees

The workshop is free of charge for Food Authorities and policy makers.

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# BASELINE

SELECTION AND IMPROVING OF FIT-FOR-PURPOSE SAMPLING PROCEDURES FOR SPECIFIC FOODS AND RISKS

## 2<sup>ND</sup> BASELINE WORKSHOP

September 26th, 2013  
EFSA, Parma (Italy)

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## BASELINE 2<sup>nd</sup> Workshop

The 2nd workshop of the BASELINE project will be organised in Parma at European Food Safety Authority-EFSA premises. The main objective is to present and discuss the new knowledge generated by the BASELINE project activities during its four years implementation and in particular to disseminate the final sampling schemes elaborated by the consortium to food authorities useful to orient and improve the future UE legislature on the matter. The food matrixes addressed belong to seafood, eggs and egg products, milk and dairy products, meat and plant products.

### The specific objectives of the meeting are:

- Collect final feedbacks from food authorities representatives on the work performed;
- Contribute to shape the future directions of food safety in the light of evidence-based criteria and related risk-assessment-based sampling schemes and analytical methods;
- Explore new tendencies in risk-assessment-based sampling schemes including alternative analytical methods;
- Familiarize with the future harmonised and validated sampling strategies and food safety criteria.

In the morning the Principal Investigators will present the most relevant results and innovative alternatives to the current state of the art, moreover the software tool for predictive models and sampling plans developed by BASELINE will be disclosed.

In the afternoon input from representatives of food authorities on BASELINE safety criteria and sampling plan will be collected and an open discussion on BASELINE inputs to improve food legislation will be stimulated by the coordinator.

## BASELINE in brief

### The Project

BASELINE is a research project founded by the KBBE theme of FP7. Its overall objective is to provide harmonized and validated sampling strategies, structured as International standard (ex. ISO), to support the European policies in food safety and to be suitable for food producers, in order to collect comparable data to improve quantitative risk analysis of selected biological and chemical agents in five selected food chains: seafood, eggs and egg products, milk and dairy products, fresh meats and plant products.

### Objectives of the project

The major output of the project is to generate new knowledge on sampling schemes to collect data for risk assessment by using a mathematical approach. The project has set up a modelling "software", able to establish food safety criteria based on distribution of biological hazards and related sampling protocol in each of the five food chains studied. The large application of the sampling schemes developed during the BASELINE to verify the compliance to food safety criteria will increase the probability to detect chemical and biological risks in foods before their distribution to consumers, decreasing the negative economical impact on both food producers and general society due to food recalls and foodborne diseases, respectively.

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**Start of the project:** 1<sup>st</sup> August 2009

**End of the project:** 30<sup>th</sup> November 2013

**Total eligible costs:** € 6.636.447,00

**Total EC contribution:** € 5.154.885,00

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> WORKSHOP Agenda

08.30 - 08.45	<b>Registration</b>
08.45 - 09.00	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> ( <i>G.Manfreda</i> )
09.00 - 09.30	<b>BASELINE proposal on safety criteria and sampling plans for seafood</b> ( <i>T. Skjerdal</i> )
09.30 - 10.00	<b>BASELINE proposal on safety criteria and sampling plans for eggs and egg products</b> ( <i>J. Olsen</i> )
10.00 - 10.30	<b>Baseline proposal on safety criteria and sampling plans for milk and dairy products</b> ( <i>L. Kozacinski</i> )
10.30 - 11.00	<b>Baseline proposal on safety criteria and sampling plans for meat products</b> ( <i>M. Chemaly</i> )
11.15 - 11.30	Coffee Break
11.30 - 12.00	<b>Baseline proposal on safety criteria and sampling plans for plant products</b> ( <i>M. J. Sáiz</i> )
12.00 - 12.30	<b>Selected sampling plan for chemical risks</b> ( <i>A. Horváth, Z. Farkas and A. Ambrus</i> )
12.30 - 13.00	<b>Software tool demonstration for predictive models and sampling plans</b> ( <i>A. Valero</i> )
13.00 - 14.30	Lunch
14.30 - 15.15	<b>Input from representatives of food authorities on BASELINE safety criteria and sampling plan</b> ( <i>15m. for person: Marta Hugas, Kris Desmett, Frans Verstraete</i> )
15.15 - 16.00	<b>Open discussion on the BASELINE results: do they support the sampling criteria in the Food Law?</b> ( <i>Chaired by G.Manfreda</i> )
16.00	End of Work