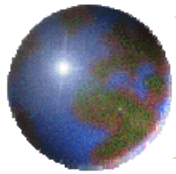


CCPR AGENDA ITEMS OF INTEREST ...2

***MRL Initiative Workshop – Africa
30th March to 2nd April 2009,***

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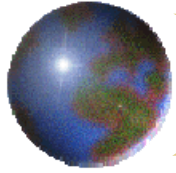




EWG on Specialty crops and Minor uses

- Proposed during 40th Session of CCPR (2008)
 - Provide guidance for the establishment of Codex MRLs for Specialty crops and minor uses
 - Formed – led by USA (Australia and Kenya co-chair)
 - To prepare discussion paper for 41st Session of CCPR

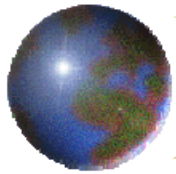




Progress of EWG

- Low response to September email hence re-invitation of Codex members/observers to the EWG in January 2009
- Members encouraged to participate to have wide representation of concerns
- Invitation included 4 main questions to members and observers – used to prepare the discussion paper on minor uses and specialty crops.
- Responses to be compiled into paper.

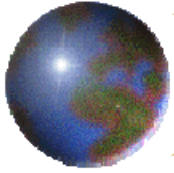




Initial questions....

- Listing of top 10 traded specialty crops or minor use commodities of economic importance traded from country.
- Concerns from compounds listed in compounds to be reviewed by JMPR.
- Identify top 10 MRL trade barriers faced (in your country) when exporting specialty crops/minor use commodities. (List pesticide, crop and pest being controlled)
- Why don't many countries nominate compounds for evaluation by the JMPR.
- What are the roadblocks faced by countries when making nominations to the JMPR.
- Is there a knowledge gap for requirements of data requirements to JMPR, as obstacle to making submissions.
- If Yes, is there interest in developing a training manual.

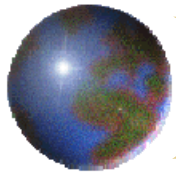




General responses....

- Respondents to initial questions – Australia, Canada, Columbia, Costa Rica, Iran, Kenya and Korea
- Issues raised:
 - Issues relating to lack of knowledge on data requirements for submission to JMPR
 - Commodities traded not listed in the Codex classification system of food and feed.
 - Few MRLs for some commodities, pesticides of interest have no MRL.
 - Lack of support for data generation to support MRL setting for pesticides





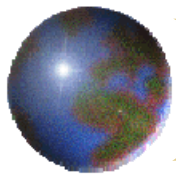
Proposals from the EWG paper

- General definitions on minor uses and specialty crops put forward:
 - Use of CPP where registration of that use does not constitute significant economic return.
 - Specialty crop = high value crop grown on small areas (not significant to registrant)

- Continue, progress and support inclusion of new commodities to the revision of the Codex Classification on Foods and Animal Feeds (CCPR EWG and ICGCC)

- Possible inclusion of guidance on inclusion/selection of representative commodities for extrapolation of MRLs.

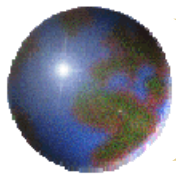




Proposals from the EWG (contd..)

- Members and observers could propose inclusion for review specialty crops and minor use commodities in JMPR priorities list.
- Propose periodic re-evaluation of pesticides
- Possible development of global MRL calculator based on proposals from the pilot project on global joint reviews
 - Chlorantraniliprole global workshare – after JMPR consideration, MRLs set at different values from those of participating countries (USA, EU, New Zealand and Australia) – mainly due to different crop groups and different approaches to MRL calculation.

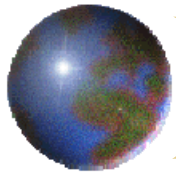




General proposals from the EWG (contd..2)

- Development of training manual on data requirements for submissions made to the JMPR for its evaluations.
- Possible use of approach used in the elaboration of MRLs for spices (JMPR 2004)





***THANK YOU FOR YOUR
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