

EWG Invitation

The message is sent on behalf of Zimbabwe and South Africa

Title: **Proposed Draft Definition for Biofortification**

Committee: Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses

Session: 39th session

Chair of the EWG: Zimbabwe

Co-Chair: South Africa

Working Languages: English

Description of work: At the 39th session of the CCNFSDU the Committee noted that a number of aspects in the biofortification definition needed further consideration, as well as the questions on where the definition would be placed and how it should be used. The Committee agreed to re-establish the EWG to: 1) Refine the draft definition and its accompanying footnotes' texts on the basis of the comments received and CCNFSDU39 recommendations; 2) Explore other alternative terms to biofortification; 3) Consider the request from CAC38 on how the definition would be used and where it would be best placed.

Timetable for work: The work programme and timelines will be circulated to members of the EWG soon after its establishment.

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Registration deadline: 29 January 2018

EWG online platform: Yes

Codex Members and Observers are invited to register their experts for this Electronic Working Group. When there is more than one expert, each country or observer organization shall designate **one** as the official representative to participate in the EWG.

Applications should be sent through the Codex Contact Point (CCP) of the member or recognized observer organization in an email detailing:

1. Participant's name (one contact point per member/observer organization)
2. Official title or position
3. Country or observer organization
4. Email address

The EWG platform Link: <http://forum.codex-alimentarius.net/index.php>

Usergroup name: CCNFSDU-BIO 2018

The platform will require members to login. New participants to the platform should first register. ([online guide](#), [video tutorial](#))

Those participants who have previously registered on the platform can request to join the usergroup directly.

The EWG chair will give participants Access to the group online once they have verified their credentials so please ensure that you follow the procedure for applications and email the chair through your CCP even if you are already registered on the platform.

Programme and timeline

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We look forward to your participation.

Gilbert Tshitaudzi

On behalf of the Chairs of the EWG (South Africa)