

TRAINING INFORMATION SHEET
BTSF training on Prevention, control and eradication of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies and Animal By-Products

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under the “Better Training for safer Food” Initiative

1. Context & general objectives

The training sessions on TSE/BSE ABP are focused on TSE and ABP issues that EU Member States have to deal with at present and the next future. A balanced approach to the TSE/BSE and ABP legislation, including the scientific background, as well as the practicalities of the application of the legislations will be followed during this course. Training modules will propose presentations and practical workshops/exercises on traceability and categorization of Animal By-Products, feed sector including pet food, import/export for technical uses and distribution/trade of ABP/derived products and use of insect as processed animal proteins. Moreover, other specific exercises will be included on TSE control and eradication measures on small ruminants and rules and SOPs developed by the EURL to be applied for different feeds for the correct application of the Regulation (EC) N°152/2009 as last amended in detecting ruminant PAP in feed.

The general objectives of the course are:

- To provide for a common understanding of certain EU ABP and TSE rules mainly focus on feed ban.
- To optimize the effectiveness of the controls carried out by the competent authorities to verify the compliance with the legal requirements in this field.
- To give the opportunity to the trainees to compare approaches and strategies of the Member States in order to identify and share best practices.

2. Training dates and locations

In the table below, for all training sessions, there are 2 options for the dates of the training: one option if the training is held on the spot, and one option if the training is held online. **Please consider the face-to-face dates for now.** If the health situation does not allow us to implement face-to-face courses anymore, we will inform you via email and ask you to consider the proposed dates for *online trainings*.

This course is a 4-day-long training (from Tuesday midday to Friday midday), when held on the spot.

Year	Training sessions	Locations	Proposed dates	Registration deadline
2022	TS01 – TSE-ABP	Porto <i>Zoom</i>	8 - 11 November 2022 <i>7 - 15 November 2022</i>	15th September 2022
	TS02 – TSE-ABP	Porto <i>Zoom</i>	31 January - 3 February 2023 <i>30 January - 7 February 2023</i>	30th November 2022
2023	TS03 – TSE-ABP	Zagreb/Ljubljana <i>Zoom</i>	21 - 24 March 2023 <i>20 - 28 March 2023</i>	15th January 2023
	TS04 – TSE-ABP	Rennes <i>Zoom</i>	30 May - 2 June 2023 <i>30 May - 7 June 2023</i>	25th March 2023
	TS05 – TSE-ABP	Zagreb/Ljubljana <i>Zoom</i>	12 - 15 September 2023 <i>11 - 19 September 2023</i>	25th June 2023
	TS06 – TSE-ABP	Porto <i>Zoom</i>	28 November - 1 December 2023 <i>27 November - 5 December 2023</i>	5th September 2023
	TS07 – TSE-ABP	Rennes <i>Zoom</i>	6 - 9 February 2024 <i>5 - 13 February 2024</i>	15th November 2023
2024	TS08 – TSE-ABP	Rennes <i>Zoom</i>	12 - 15 March 2024 <i>11 - 19 March 2024</i>	12th December 2023

3. Selection criteria for participants

The course on **Prevention, control and eradication of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies and Animal By-Products** is destined to Officials from relevant competent authorities with a working knowledge of prevention, control and eradication of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies and Animal By-Products.

Minimum requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Official staff with adequate professional experience, familiar with the implementation of the relevant EU legislation of prevention, control and eradication of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies and official control of Animal By-Products.• Preferably participants who have not previously attended the training on the same training location.• In a position to provide training to and sharing experience with others following their attendance has been identified as the target group for the training.• Able to understand and speak English in order to participate actively in the training session.