CODEX COMMITTEE ON FATS AND OILS (CCFO)

Invitation to participate in the electronic working group (eWG) on the" Revision of the Standard for Named Vegetable Oils (CODEX STAN 210-1999): Inclusion of walnut oil, almond oil, hazelnut oil, pistachio oil, flaxseed oil and avocado oil"

To all Codex Members and Observers:

The Twenty Fifth of the Codex Committee on Fats and Oils (CCFO25), held in Kuala Lumpur (27 February- 03 March 2017) agreed to establish an electronic working group (EWG) Chaired by Iran and co-chaired by India to start new working in English for the revision of the *Standard for Named Vegetable Oils* (CODEX STAN 210-1999): Inclusion of walnut oil, almond oil, hazelnut oil, pistachio oil, flaxseed oil and avocado oil - (Step 3)

Iran and India kindly invite all interested Codex members and observers to assist in this task, to please submit the name, affiliation, contact details and e-mail address of the contact person designated to participate in this working group by July 21, 2017, to:

Zahra Piravivanak (Email: zpiravi@gmail.com); SodeifAzadmard - Damirchi Email: sodeifazadmard@yahoo.com) - Chair of the eWG

And

Dr. Kavitha Ramasamy, email: dr.kavitha.ramasamy@gmail.com - Co-chair of eWG

The information should be sent through or with a copy to the Codex Contact Point of the member country or recognized observer organization.

As part of a pilot program the eWG will be run over an online platform. With this system we hope to achieve a better flow of information, greater security and increased transparency.

The online platform will require you to login. You will be provided with the link once participant credentials have been verified.

In order to initiate the above mention topics, this time line has been considered for EWG.

Proposed timeline	Lead Countries
21 July 2017	Registration of Participants
September 2017 - March 2018	Circulation of first draft
March 2018 – August 2018	Circulation of 2 nd Draft
August 2018	Submission of the EWG Report by host countries to the Codex Secretariat

Sincerely yours,

Chair Co-chair

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