

## CODEX COMMITTEE ON SPICES AND CULINARY HERBS

### EWG Invitation

*This message is sent on behalf of the United States and India*

**Title:** Proposed Draft Group Standard for spices derived from Dried Fruits and Berries.

**Committee** Codex Committee on Spices and Culinary Herbs (CCSCH)

**Session:** 6<sup>th</sup> Session

**Chair of EWG:** The United States

**Co-Chairs:** India

**Working Languages:** ENGLISH

**Description of work:** Development of a Proposed Draft Standard taking in to account the proposal submitted and comments made at the 5<sup>th</sup> CCSCH session.

#### Timetable for work

Deadline for registration of EWG participants	15 <sup>th</sup> October 2021
First draft document circulated for comments	30 <sup>th</sup> October 2021
Deadline for comments on first draft	30 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
Second draft document circulated for comments	28 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
Deadline for comments on second draft document	30 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
Final document sent to Codex Secretariat and CCSCH Secretariat	30 <sup>th</sup> July 2022

#### Email for registration:

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**Registration deadline:** 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

**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:

- participant's name
- official title or position
- organization or country
- email address.

#### The EWG platform

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

User group name: **CCSCH-Dried Fruits and Berries 2021**

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

The EWG chair will give participants access to the user 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. Once your CCP has sent your application you can request to join the EWG user group directly on the platform. You do not need to create a new registration if you have previously used the platform.

#### Technical support

For all technical assistance regarding the platform please contact the platform administrator (Codex Secretariat) using the Contact link on the platform homepage or via [codex@fao.org](mailto:codex@fao.org).

#### Programme and timeline

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

We look forward to your participation.

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