
To : ILPS members

From : ILPS Board and Executive Director

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SUBJECT : Status update – project overview: description, target, milestone plan, budget requirements
Project group #3 - Analytic

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Participants & Roles:

The project group consists of 8 companies: Bunge, Eurofins, FoodChain ID, Lasenor, Nateeo, Shankar-Europe, Sonic Biochem Extractions, Spectral Service. For the first meeting, all members except one answered the doodle poll and participated actively. For the second meeting, only 5 members were present, and nobody presented him/herself as a Chair or Secretary. After two meetings, there is no Chair role yet. The ILPS Secretary (Marc Martin) keeps on doing the Secretary role within the Working Group. The 3rd doodle poll has only 3 answers after 1 month. The ILPS Secretary represents the Board and Executive Director in this project group.

Project Progress:

To date, there is one project proposal by Bunge, consisting of developing new and standardized methods to substitute classical “old-fashioned” methods for analyzing lecithin, and probably asking to the ISO/AOCS bodies for acceptance of these methods. First proposal would be focused on hexane-insoluble matter analysis. Some comments on the current methodology for hexane-insoluble matter determination were discussed during the second meeting (the miscella mixes that can change the amount of residue, the pore size not being clear enough, the possibility of changing the filter to a paper one, among others).

Next steps:

After another email asking for participation, 5 of 7 members answered (see Annex I). Of these members, only Shankar and Bunge demonstrated interest in the current project proposal.

Eurofins and Nateeo did not answered.

FoodChain ID answered their knowledge was not aligned with the focus of the WG.

Spectral Service answered their knowledge was not aligned with the focus of the WG.

Sonic Biochem (who never participated before) answered saying they were ready to participate, but they did not show interest in the current proposal or a new one.

Budget:

There is no budget defined yet. This needs to be addressed once the analytical targets are selected and the roadmap has been clarified.

Status: Due to the lack of participation of several participants members of this group, the Board will decide whether this project will be continued.

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