



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
HEALTH AND CONSUMERS DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

General Affairs
Information systems

Brussels,

Dear M. Sabido,

**Subject: Your applications for access to information and documents – Ref
GestDem No 2013/2397 and Gestdem No 2013/2401**

We refer to your applications dated 02/05/2013 in which you make requests for information and for access to documents, registered on 06/05/2013 under the above mentioned reference numbers.

Your requests assigned to Health and Consumers Directorate General (DG SANCO) concern the following groups:

- 1) Advisory group on the food chain and animal and plant health (AGFC)**
- 2) European Alcohol and Health forum (EAHF)**
- 3) Medical Devices Working Group (WG) on Clinical Investigation and Evaluation (CIE)**

Your requests consist in:

- a) A list of all the new members added to expert groups that were referred to in the 28th February European Commission State of Play ('Informal Dialogue on Expert Groups; Initiatives Taken by Commission Services'): GestDem No 2013/2397.
- b) Any applicant who has applied to be a member of the Commission's expert groups but been refused, as listed in the February State of Play produced on 28/02/2013 by the Commission regarding the Informal Dialogue on Expert Groups and Initiatives Taken by Commission Services: GestDem No 2013/2401.
- c) All documents which give the justification for said unsuccessful applicants not being granted membership to the applied-for expert group: GestDem No 2013/2401.

1) Advisory group on the food chain and animal and plant health (AGFC)

- a) You will find in Annex 1 the list of new members following the last call for expression of interest: Commission Decision of 14 April 2011 on the members of the advisory group on the food chain and animal and plant health established by Decision 2004/613/EC (2011/242/EU) - Annex Part B – p. 128 of Official Journal L101 of 15 April 2011.

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The register of experts groups has been updated accordingly.

- b) You will find in Annex 2 the list of applicants who were not selected following the selection procedure. We would like to draw your attention to the fact that the names of organisations are not covered by personal data protection and are therefore communicated to you. However, the concerned organisations submitted their candidatures in good faith and were rejected on basis of objective criteria that cannot be considered as having a link with the intrinsic value of the organisation.

Therefore, the Commission considers that the information provided cannot be used in a way that could impact on the reputation of the rejected organisations.

- c) You will find in Annex 3 the model letter which has been sent to all non selected applicants.

2) European Alcohol and Health forum (EAHF)

- a) No new member has been added to the group since the 28th February European Commission State of Play.

- b) c) No request for application has been refused so far.

3) Medical Devices Working Group (WG) on Clinical Investigation and Evaluation (CIE)

- a) One added member since the 28th February European Commission State of Play: European Hernia Association. The register will be updated accordingly.

- b) c) No request for application has been refused so far.

Yours faithfully,



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| Annex 1 | p. 128 of Official Journal L101 of 15 April 2011. |
| Annex 2 | List of unsuccessful applicants for membership in the Advisory group on the food chain and animal and plant health (AGFC). |
| Annex 3 | Model letter for the unsuccessful applicants. |