



**Roundtable of aflatoxin experts on  
“Building a multi-stakeholder approach to mitigate aflatoxin contamination of food and feed”  
Brussels, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2016**  
Albert Borschette Conference Center, 36 rue Froissart  
Metro station “Schuman” lines 1 and 5

**Programme**

Link for the web streaming (only the morning session):

<https://scic.ec.europa.eu/streaming/management-of-aflatoxins-in-africa-working-group-implementing-legislation>

- 9:30 Welcoming by DG Sante  
**Frans Verstraete**  
Welcoming by PAEPARD and EAFF  
**Stephen Muchiri**, EAFF, the Chairperson of the morning session  
**Remi Kahane**, PAEPARD

**Keynote speaker**

*Comments on the PAEPARD policy note: "The role of multi-stakeholder partnerships between Africa and Europe exemplified by the issue of aflatoxin contamination of food and feed"*

**Dr. Habiba Wassef**, Bio-NCP Egypt (H2020 National Contact Point), nutritionist and senior reviewer FP5, FP6, FP7 and Horizon 2020.

**Session 1: Lessons**

- 10:00 *The role of the Partnership for Aflatoxin Control in Africa (PACA)*  
**Amare Ayelew**, Program Manager, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- 10:30 [\*Improving Food Safety in Africa\*](#)  
**Brad Flett** - Agricultural Research Council - Grain Crops Institute, Potchefstroom, RSA. President of the African Society of Mycotoxicology
- 11:00 *Twenty years research on aflatoxin in Europe: what benefits for Africa?*

[Antonio Logrieco](#), Istituto Scienze delle Produzioni Alimentari (ISPA), Bari, Italy (coordinator of the Mycokey project under H2020- SFS-13-2015 call on Biological contamination of crops and the food chain: A contribution to a long-term collaboration with China on food safety).

11:30 [The impact of hand shelling in Malawi](#)

[Andrew Emmott](#), Twin&Twin Trading, Senior Associate (Nuts), London, UK.

12:00 **Respondents: Below experts will react to the presentations in a panel discussion. The PPTs below will not be presented but serve as background for the participants**

[Sarah De Saeger](#) (Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Ghent University) [The expertise of Mycotox at the laboratory of Food Analysis](#)

[Monica Olsen](#) (National Food Agency of Sweden) [Risk Benefit Assessment](#)

[Monique Denijs](#) (WUR, The Netherlands) [Wageningen ur approach to aflatoxin](#)

[Catherine Brabet](#) (CIRAD, France) [Expertise of CIRAD-UMR Qualisud for aflatoxin control in Africa](#)

[Ferenc Bagi](#), University of Novi Sad, Serbia (member of the MyToolBox project under H2020-SFS-13-2015 call as well). [Experiences about aflatoxins in Serbia: what could be relevant for Africa?](#)

**12:30 – 14:00 Lunch break and networking (self-service cafeteria, same floor of the building)**

## **Session 2: Actions**

14:00 Chair person: [Lynn Brown](#) (Global Donor Platform for Rural Development)

Panel discussions: Presentations in 3 consecutive panels (pitching type of panel without slide show).

14:15 **Panel discussion on pre-harvest mitigation:**

[Limbikani Matumba](#) (LUNUAR, Malawi) *Stemming Aflatoxin pre- and post-harvest waste in the groundnut value chain (title tbc)*

[Benoit Gnonlonfin](#) (INRAB Benin/Consultant independant) [Crops drying to a safe moisture content and handling: challenges facing African countries.](#)

[Bruno Schuler](#) (GIZ Germany) *African Cashew initiative*

15:00 **Panel discussion on post-harvest technologies:**

[Charles Nkonge](#) (Kenya) [Highlights of maize aflatoxin research in Kenya](#)

[Erastus Kang'ethe](#) (EAFF) on *Aflatoxin in milk*

[Loveness K. Nyanga](#) (University of Zimbabwe/Action contre la faim) [Postharvest management technologies for reducing aflatoxin contamination in maize grain and exposure to humans in Zimbabwe](#)

[Sophie Walker](#) (ACDI/VOCA) [AflaSTOP: Storage and drying for aflatoxin prevention project](#)

15:45 **Panel discussion on Education and awareness creation:**

[Paul Van Mele](#) (Agro Insight) [Quality training videos to be developed with farmers who are trained in aflatoxin prevention and management](#)

[Bruno Tran](#) (NRI, UK) [African postharvest losses information system \(APHLIS\)](#)

[Kouadio James](#) (University Félix Houphouet-Boigny, Abidjan - Côte d'Ivoire) *Toxicologie et hygiène alimentaire (title tbc)*

[Daniel Gad](#) (Exporter and entrepreneur in horticulture - Ethiopia) *The importance of consumer awareness on the risks of aflatoxin contamination*

Hailemichael Desmae [Management of aflatoxin contamination in groundnut – ICRISAT Approach](#)  
(International Crops Research Institute for Semi-Arid Tropics -West & Central Africa, Bamako,  
Mali)

### Session 3: Funding

16:30 **Panel discussion on Funding opportunities:**

Marc Duponcel (DG Agriculture H5) *H2020 priority setting, themes and the current selection process (cfr. multi stakeholder consortia)*

Francois Stepman (PAEPARD) [The Swedish Program for ICT in Developing Regions](#) and the *Apps4aflatoxin H2020 proposal*

Wolfgang Buechs (Federal Research Centre for Cultivated Plants - Julius-Kuehn-Institute) [AflaNET project: Minimization of aflatoxin contamination in the value chain](#)

17:00 **Recommendations and action plan:** the recommendations and commitments to an action plan from this meeting will be presented during the panel session 3 of the ARCH Pre-event (on 26/01) to the DG-AGRI Agricultural Research and Innovation Conference (on 27-28/01).

17:45 - 18:00 Conclusion and closure of the Roundtable meeting.

#### PPT business cards

Ida Skaar (Norwegian Veterinary Institute Section of Mycology) [NVI's interests and available expertise](#)

Bruno Schuler (GIZ Germany) [Rapid Loss Appraisal Tool \(RLAT\)](#)

Tina Ajdic and Aida Axelsson-Bakri (ADS Brussels) [ADS Insight & aflatoxins](#)

Gennadiy Shulga (Agricultural Services, Global Business Development, SGS Group Management Ltd, Geneva) [SGS monitoring program for mycotoxins](#)