



SCREENING WITH CROATIA AND TURKEY

CHAPTER 12 – FOOD SAFETY, VETERINARY AND PHYTOSANITARY POLICIES

Title 6 - Phytosanitary

Community International Agreements

EEA Agreement

The European Economic Area (EEA) unites from the 1 May 2004 the EU Member States and the three EEA EFTA States (Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway) into an Internal Market governed by the same basic rules

Annex I to the EEA Agreement

- Covers veterinary and phytosanitary matters
- Part III “Phytosanitary matters” restricted to seeds of fodder plants, cereals, vegetables, beet, oil and fibre plants and the common catalogue

Annex II to the EEA Agreement

- Covers technical regulations, standards and certification
- Part II “Foodstuffs” contains legislation on residues of pesticides
- Part XV “Dangerous substances” contains legislation on placing on the market of PPP

Agreement with Switzerland

- The EC and Switzerland signed in 1999 an agreement on trade in agricultural products
- Entered into force on 1st June 2002
- Includes 11 annexes

Annex 4: Plant health

- Harmful Organisms
- Recognition that legislation leads to equivalent results (introduction and propagation of HOs)
- Mutual recognition of plant passports and import checks

Annex 6: seeds

- Covers seeds of agricultural, vegetable, fruit and ornamental plant species and of vines
- Recognition of the conformity of legislation
- Mutual recognition of certificates

Agreement with Chile

- Establishes an association between the EC and Chile
- Concerns notably Cooperation on agriculture and rural sectors and sanitary and phytosanitary measures
- Section 5 deals with “Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures”

Annex IV

- Establishes an agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures Applicable to Trade in Animals and Animal Products, Plants, Plant Products and other Goods and Animal Welfare
- Aims to facilitate trade whilst safeguarding health
- Applies to plants and plant products and other goods listed in Appendix I.B

International Conventions

- The EC became member of International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture in 2004
- of the International Plant Protection Convention in 2005
- Of the International Convention for the Protection of the New Varieties of Plants in 2005