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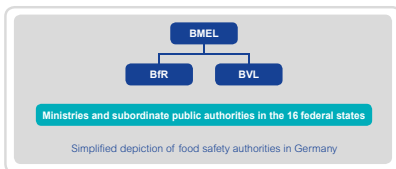
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Country profiles – how to read the EU Almanac

Each country profile provides a three page overview of public authorities in the area of food and feed safety.

Diagram depicting the structure of governmental authorities:

Each country profile starts with a simplified diagram that depicts the structure of governmental authorities and hierarchies. Authorities are referred to by their national acronym. The list of abbreviations (chapter 6) contains full names of all authorities listed in the Almanac (in English as well as in the respective national language). Institutions at central/federal level are illustrated in blue caskets, regional/local institutions in turquoise ones.



Legal foundation: Brief description of national legal foundations in the area of food and feed safety at the beginning of the chapter.

In Germany the central legal foundation for food legislation is the Food and Feed Code (Lebensmittel und Futtermittelgesetzbuch). In Germany risk assessment and risk management ...

Institutions at central level (shown in blue caskets): Tasks and activities of each authority are described in a separate section for each authority. The blue box at the beginning of each section contains the acronym and the full name of the authority. The grey box below contains the main tasks in the area of food and feed safety, followed by the city the authority is based in and the authority website.

BfR
Federal Institute for Risk Assessment

- ▶ Risk assessment
- ▶ Risk communication
- ▶ EFSA Focal Point
- ▶ Research

Seat: Berlin
<http://www.bfr.bund.de>

Responsibility: Ten pictograms illustrate the individual areas of responsibility of the respective authority.

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| | Plant protection products | | Drinking water | | Genetic engineering | | Contaminants |
| | Feed | | Food supplements | | Residues of veterinary medicinal products | | |
| | Mineral water | | Novel foods | | Zoonoses | | |

Regional and local level: Authorities at regional and local level are described in a separate section. They are introduced by turquoise caskets.

Regional and local levels

Germany consists of 16 federal states, with large individual differences with regards to the size of each state (between 1 and 20 million inhabitants per state). ...

EFSA network: Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 establishing the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) states that organisations operating in the fields within the authority's mission are to form a network. Organisations that fall under this category are listed under the heading "Institutions involved in the EFSA network".

Institutions involved in the EFSA network pursuant to Article 36 Reg. (EC) No. 178/2002:

1. Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR)
2. Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety (BVL)

The list of institutions involved in the EFSA Network pursuant to Article 36 Reg. (EC) No. 178/2002 at the end of each country profile is subject to revision. The up-to-date list of each country is available on the internet at: www.efsa.europa.eu/en/scdocs/doc/art36listg.pdf

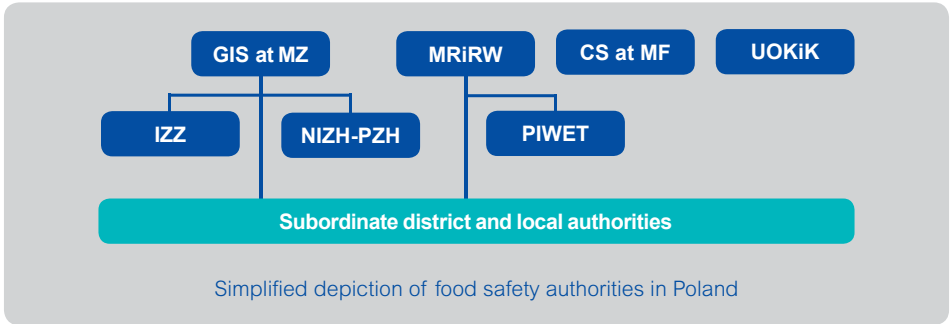
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Poland



The central legal foundation for food legislation in Poland is the Food and Nutrition Safety Act of 25th August 2006. Infringement of food regulations can lead to measures under criminal law and consumer damage claims under civil law, whereby the final decision rests with the courts. Government measures with regard to food safety are often based on scientific risk assessment. However, the final decision on the legality of governmental measures rests with the courts. In Poland risk management and risk assessment are institutionally separated. Risk assessments are not published.

GIS at MZ
The Chief Sanitary Inspectorate (GIS)
at the Ministry of Health (MZ)

- ▶ Health policy and food safety
- ▶ Risk management
- ▶ EFSA Focal Point
- ▶ RASFF Contact Point

Seat: Warsaw
<http://www.mz.gov.pl>
<http://www.gis.gov.pl>

The Ministry of Health (MZ) is responsible for public health policy and food safety. The MZ prepares draft legislation in food hygiene, pesticide residues, contaminants and import of foods of non-animal origin. The portfolio of the MZ extends beyond food safety to, for instance, medicinal products. The Office for Registration of Medicinal Products, Medical Devices and Biocidal Products at the MZ is the regulatory authority for veterinary drugs in Poland.

The Chief Sanitary Inspectorate (GIS) is subordinate to the MZ and is the competent authority for food safety in Poland. It cooperates with the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MRiRW) on matters regarding food safety and with both the MRiRW and the Ministry of

Environment (MS) on matters regarding GMOs. The GIS coordinates and supervises the activities of the State Sanitary Inspectorates (PIS) which are responsible for official control of all aspects of food safety, i.e. food hygiene, pesticide residues, contaminants, import of food of non-animal origin, food contact materials, food additives, GMOs in food, food supplements and novel foods. The GIS is also responsible for monitoring contaminants in food of non-animal origin. GIS risk management measures are based on scientific risk assessments carried out by the National Food and Nutrition Institute (IZZ) and the National Institute of Public Health – National Institute of Hygiene (NIZP – PZH).

16 National Reference Laboratories belong to the GIS in accordance with Regulation (EC) No. 882/2004.

MRiRW
The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development

- ▶ Agricultural policy and safety of food of animal origin
- ▶ Risk management
- ▶ FAO/WHO Codex Contact Point

Seat: Warsaw
<http://www.minrol.gov.pl>



The MRiRW is responsible for agricultural policy and the safety of food of animal origin and prepares draft legislation in this area. The MRiRW is supported by three competent specialist authorities responsible for control and inspection: the General Veterinary Inspectorate (GIW), the Main Inspectorate for Seeds and Plant Health (PIORIN) and the Agricultural and Food Quality Inspection (IJHARS). The FAO/WHO Codex Contact Point for Poland is located at IJHARS.

The work of the MRiRW is mainly focused on risk management on food of animal origin and is based on scientific risk assessments prepared by the National Veterinary Research Institute (PIWET). The portfolio of the MRiRW include safety of feed, residues of veterinary medicinal products, GMOs and zoonoses. In these areas, the MRiRW monitors the activities of the district and local authorities.

The MRiRW is the regulatory authority for pesticides and plant protection products. In food safety, the MRiRW cooperates with the MZ, and for GMOs with both i.e. the MZ and MS. The portfolio of the MRiRW extends beyond food safety to animal health and animal welfare. The MRiRW is also responsible for the monitoring of contaminants in food of animal origin.

CS at MF
The Customs Service (CS) at the Ministry of Finance (MF)

- ▶ Risk management

Seat: Warsaw
<http://www.mf.gov.pl>

The Customs Service is subordinate to the MF and is responsible for the border control of food. The Customs Service cooperates with three specialist authorities: the GIW on controls of export and import of animals, food of animal origin and feed; PIORIN on controls of export and import of regulated plants and plant material and the GIS on controls of export and import of food of plant origin.

UOKiK
The Office of Competition and Consumer Protection

- ▶ Risk management

Seat: Warsaw
<http://www.uokik.gov.pl>

The UOKiK aims to protect the interests of the consumer and to ensure free and fair competition within a free market. The President of the UOKiK reports directly to the Prime Minister. It is the task of the UOKiK to protect the health of consumers and ensure that only safe products that meet the essential requirements set forth in Polish regulations are available on the market. Other tasks of the UOKiK are to prevent dominant entities from operating on the market (cartels) and the monitoring of efficiency and impact of state aid on the free market.

IZZ The National Food and Nutrition Institute

- ▶ Risk assessment
- ▶ Research

Seat: Warsaw
<http://www.izz.waw.pl>



The IZZ prepares scientific risk assessments on nutrition and novel foods, and is involved in active research within this area.

NIZP-PZH The National Institute of Public Health – The National Institute of Hygiene

- ▶ Risk assessment
- ▶ Research

Seat: Warsaw
<http://www.pzh.gov.pl>



The NIZP-PZH prepares scientific risk assessments on food additives, biological risks, added chemical substances, residues of plant protection products and drinking water. The NIZP-PZH also performs active research in this area.

PIWET The National Veterinary Research Institute

- ▶ Risk assessment
- ▶ Research

Seat: Puławy
<http://www.piwet.pulawy.pl>



The PIWET prepares scientific risk assessments on feed, residues of veterinary medicinal products and zoonoses. The PIWET also performs active research.




Regional and local levels





In Poland there is a three tier division in public administration: 16 regions (voivodships), 379 districts (powiats) and 2,478 local authorities (gminas). At district and local levels the specialist authorities of the GIS and MRiRW are responsible for enacting food laws and carrying out food inspections. They are instructed and monitored by the GIS and MRiRW in their respective areas of activity.


Institutions involved in the EFSA network pursuant to Article 36 Reg. (EC) No. 178/2002

1. National Veterinary Research Institute
2. National Research Institute of Animal Production
3. Institute of Natural Fibres Medicinal Plants
4. National Institute of Public Health – National Institute of Hygiene
5. National Food and Nutrition Institute
6. Institute of Soil Science and Plant Cultivation – State Research Institute (IUNG – PIB)
7. Sea Fisheries Institute in Gdynia
8. Warsaw University of Life Sciences, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Department of Food Hygiene and Public Health
9. University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn
10. Research Institute of Pomology and Floriculture

5 Glossary

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| Biocide or biocidal product | Active substance (or preparations containing one or more active substances) intended to destroy, deter or exert a controlling effect on harmful organisms by chemical or biological means. The term biocide (or biocidal product) implies that the active substance(s) are present in a form or product which can be supplied to the user (cp. Directive 98/8/EC). |
| Codex Alimentarius | (Latin for “food code”) Collection of internationally adopted food standards, guidelines and codes of practice. Although the standards described in the “Codex Alimentarius” are not binding, they serve as a guideline for national food-law regulations. Codex Alimentarius follows the principle that consumers have a right to expect their food to be safe, of good quality and suitable for consumption. The Codex Alimentarius is prepared by the Codex Alimentarius Commission, a working group of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO), consisting of 180 member governments. |
| Codex Contact Point | Codex Contact Points act as the link between the Codex Alimentarius Secretariat and member countries. Codex Contact Points receive all Codex final texts (standards, codes of practice, guidelines and other advisory texts) and working documents of Codex sessions and ensure that they are circulated to those concerned within their own countries. |
| Competent authority | An organisation that has the legally delegated authority to perform a designated function. |
| Contaminant  | Any substance not intentionally added to food which is present in such food as a result of the production (including operations carried out in crop husbandry, animal husbandry and veterinary medicine), manufacture, processing, preparation, treatment, packing, packaging, transport or holding of such food, or as a result of environmental contamination. Extraneous matter, such as, for example, insect fragments, animal hair, etc, is not covered by this definition. (Regulation (EEC) No 315/93). |
| Drinking water  | Water from the tap, intended for human consumption. |
| EFSA Focal Point | EFSA Focal Points act as link between the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) and EU Member States. |
| EU Directive | EU Directives are legislative acts of the EU, which have to be implemented into national law by the Member States. |
| EU regulation | EU regulations apply directly in all Member States of the EU without the Member State having to enact national laws. |
| Feed or Feedingstuff  | Any substance or product, including additives, whether processed, partially processed or unprocessed, intended to be used for oral feeding to animals (Commission Recommendation 2011/25/EU). |
| Food or Foodstuff | Processed, partially processed or unprocessed product or substance intended or reasonably expected to be ingested by humans. (Regulation (EC) No 178/2002) |

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| Food hygiene | Five keys of food hygiene defined by WHO: 1) Prevention of contaminating food with pathogens spreading from people, pets and pests; 2) Separation of raw and cooked foods to prevent contaminating the cooked foods; 3) Cooking of foods for the appropriate length of time and at the appropriate temperature to kill pathogens; 4) Storage of food at the proper temperature; 5) Use of safe water and raw materials. |
| Food safety | Food safety ensures that food consumption (according to its intended use) does not cause harm and/or foodborne illness to the consumer. Appropriate food hygiene contributes towards food safety; however the term food safety also includes the absence of harmful substances such as environmental contaminants or residues of veterinary medicinal products. |
| Food supplements |  Nutrients or other substances with a nutritional or physiological effect aimed to supplement the normal diet. Food supplements are usually on the market as capsules, pastilles, tablets, pills, sachets of powder, ampoules of liquids, drop dispensing bottles, and other similar forms of liquids and powders designed to be taken in measured small unit quantities (Directive 2002/46/EC). |
| Genetic engineering |  All modern molecular biology techniques used to isolate, manipulate and transfer genes from one organism to another. |
| Institutions involved in the EFSA network pursuant to Article 36 Reg. (EC) No. 178/2002 | Organisations which are approved to undertake work on behalf of EFSA (i. e. data collection, preparatory work for the development of scientific opinions or other scientific and technical support). EFSA distributes “calls for proposals” which describe EFSA’s research questions that need to be answered, and “Article 36 organisations” can apply for the “job”. |
| Mineral water |  Bottled water for human consumption either a) natural mineral water, b) natural spring water or c) processed tap water. Natural mineral water is groundwater that has emerged from the ground and contains a certain amount of minerals. Spring water is also groundwater that has emerged from the ground but contains a lower amount of minerals. The icon does not refer to bottled water that is intended for medicinal purposes. |
| Multi annual control plans | A multi annual control plan describes how certain aspects of governmental control and inspection in the area of food and feed safety are organised, conducted and/or implemented. This includes the frequency of inspections, the distribution of inspections amongst business sectors and operators and number of samples to be analysed. |
| Novel food |  Novel foods are foods and food ingredients that have not been used for human consumption to a significant degree within the EU before 15 May 1997. In order to ensure the highest level of protection of human health, novel foods must undergo a safety assessment before being placed on the EU market. Only those products considered to be safe for human consumption are authorised for marketing. |

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| <p>Plant protection products or Pesticides</p>  | <p>Active substances and preparations containing one or more active substances intended to protect plants (or plant products) against harmful organisms. The term plant protection product (or pesticide) implies that the active substance(s) are present in a form or product which can be supplied to the user.</p> <p>Active substances in plant protection products may also destroy undesired plants or influence life processes of plants in a way other than as a nutrient (for example growth regulators).</p> |
| <p>Primary food production</p> | <p>Growth, cultivation, harvesting, collection or catching of food, for example harvesting, slaughter, milking or fishing. The term primary food production does not include substantial transformation of food, for example manufacturing or canning, or sale or service of food directly to the public.</p> |
| <p>RASFF Contact Point</p> | <p>The Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed (RASFF) is an information exchange tool for national control authorities within the EU. RASFF has 33 members. Each member has an RASFF Contact Point. When a RASFF member has any information about a serious health risk from food or feed, it must immediately notify the European Commission using RASFF. In particular, Member States have to notify the Commission if they take measures such as withdrawing or recalling food or feed products from the market in order to protect consumers' health and if rapid action is required. The Commission immediately transmits the notification to all members of the network through the contact points.</p> |
| <p>Residue</p> | <p>Substance present in or on plants, plant products, edible animal products or drinking water resulting from the use of plant protection products or veterinary drugs, including their metabolites, breakdown or reaction products.</p> |
| <p>REACH</p> | <p>Regulatory framework for the registration, evaluation and authorisation of chemicals to ensure greater safety in the manufacture and use of chemical substances.</p> |
| <p>Risk assessment</p> | <p>Scientific activity consisting of hazard identification, hazard characterisation, exposure assessment and risk characterisation.</p> |
| <p>Risk communication</p> | <p>Interactive exchange of information of risk assessors, risk managers, consumers, feed and food businesses, academic community and other interested parties with regard to risks, hazards and risk perceptions. Risk communication also includes explanation of scientific risk assessment and risk management decisions.</p> |
| <p>Risk management</p> | <p>Process of weighing policy alternatives, taking decisions and implementing control and inspection procedures to handle risk associated with the food chain.</p> |
| <p>Zoonosis</p> | <p>Any disease and/or infection which is naturally transmissible directly or indirectly between animals and humans.</p> |

6 List of Abbreviations

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| Austria | AGES | Österreichische Agentur für Gesundheit und Ernährungssicherheit | Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety |
| | BAES | Bundesamt für Ernährungssicherheit | Federal Office for Food Safety |
| | BMG | Bundesministerium für Gesundheit | Ministry of Health |
| | BMLFUW | Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft | Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management |
| Belgium | FASFC | Agence Fédérale pour la Sécurité de la Chaîne Alimentaire | Federal Agency for the Safety of the Food Chain |
| | CODA-CERVA | Centre d'Etude et de Recherches Vétérinaires et Agrochimiques | Veterinary and Agrochemical Research Centre |
| | WIV-ISP | Institut scientifique de Santé Publique | Scientific Institute of Public Health |
| | FPS | Service public fédéral Santé publique, Sécurité de la Chaîne alimentaire et Environnement | Federal Public Service for Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment |
| Bulgaria | MH | Министерство на здравеопазването | Ministry of Health |
| | MOEW | Министерство на околната среда и водите | Ministry of Environment and Water |
| | MAF | Министерство на земеделието и храните | Ministry of Agriculture and Food |
| | RAC | Risk Assessment Center | Risk Assessment Centre |
| | BFSA | Българска агенция по безопасност на храните | Bulgarian Food Safety Agency |
| | NCPHA | National Centre for Public Health and Analysis | National Centre for Public Health and Analysis |
| Croatia | MPRRR | Ministarstvo poljoprivrede, ribarstva i ruralnog razvoja | Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development |
| | MZSS | Ministarstvo zdravstva i socijalne skrbi | Ministry of Health and Social Welfare |
| | HAH | Hrvatska agencija za hranu | Croatian Food Agency |
| Cyprus | MOA | Υπουργείο Γεωργίας, Φυσικών Πόρων και Περιβάλλοντος | Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environment |
| | MOH | Υπουργείο Υγείας | Ministry of Health |
| Czech Republic | MZ | Ministerstvo Zdravotnictví České Republiky | Ministry of Health |
| | MZE | Ministerstvo Zemědělství | Ministry of Agriculture |

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| Denmark | AgriFish | NaturErhvervstyrelsen | The Danish AgriFish Agency |
| | DTU | Fødevareinstituttet, Danmarks Tekniske Universitet | National Food Institute, Technical University of Denmark |
| | DCA | Nationalt Center for Fødevarer og Jordbrug | Danish Centre for Food and Agriculture |
| | DCE | Nationalt Center for Miljø og Energi | Danish Centre for Environment and Energy |
| | DVFA | Fødevarestyrelsen | Danish Veterinary and Food Administration |
| | MFAF | Ministeriet for Fødevarer, Landbrug og Fiskeri | Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Fisheries |
| Estonia | PM | Põllumajandusministeerium | Ministry of Agriculture |
| | SM | Sotsiaalministeerium | Ministry of Social Affairs |
| | TA | Terviseamet | Health Board |
| | PMA | Põllumajandusamet | Agricultural Board |
| | VTA | Veterinaar- ja Toiduamet | Veterinary and Food Board |
| Finland | Evira | Elintarviketurvallisuusvirasto | Finnish Food Safety Authority |
| | – | Tulli | Finnish Customs |
| | MMM | Maa- ja Metsätalousministeriö | Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry |
| | STM | Sosiaali- ja Terveysministeriö | Ministry of Social Affairs and Health |
| | Tukes | Turvallisuus- ja kemikaalivirasto | Finnish Safety and Chemicals Agency |
| | Valvira | Sosiaali- ja terveysalan lupa- ja valvontavirasto | National Supervisory Authority for Welfare and Health |
| Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia | MoH | Министерство за здравство | Ministry of Health |
| | MAFWE | Министерство за земјоделство, шумарство и водостопанство | Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy |
| | IPH | Институт за јавно здравје | Institute for Public Health |
| | FVA | Управа за ветеринарство | Food and Veterinary Agency |
| | FVMS | Факултетот за ветеринарна медицина | Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Skopje |
| France | ANSES | Agence nationale de sécurité sanitaire de l'alimentation, de l'environnement et du travail | French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety |
| | MAAPRAT | Ministère de l'agriculture, de l'alimentation, de la pêche, de la ruralité et de l'aménagement du territoire | Ministry of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries, Rural Affairs and Land Use Planning |
| | MEFI | Ministère de l'économie, des finances et de l'industrie | Ministry of Economy, Finance and Industry |
| | MASS | Ministère des affaires sociales et de la santé | Ministry of Health and Social Affairs |

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| Germany | BfR | Bundesinstitut für Risikobewertung | Federal Institute for Risk Assessment |
| | BMEL | Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft | Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture |
| | BMUB | Bundesministerium für Umwelt, Naturschutz, Bau und Reaktorsicherheit | Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety |
| | BVL | Bundesamt für Verbraucherschutz und Lebensmittelsicherheit | Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety |
| | RKI | Robert Koch-Institut | Robert Koch Institute |
| | UBA | Umweltbundesamt | Federal Environmental Agency |
| Greece | EFET | ΕΝΙΑΙΟΣ ΦΟΡΕΑΣ ΕΛΕΓΧΟΥ ΤΡΟΦΙΜΩΝ | Hellenic Food Authority |
| | EOF | Εθνικός Οργανισμός φαρμάκων | The National Organisation for Medicines |
| | YAAT | Υπουργείο Αγροτικής Ανάπτυξης και Τροφίμων | Ministry of Rural Development and Food |
| | ΥΥΚΑ | Υπουργείο Υγείας και Κοινωνικής Αλληλεγγύης | Ministry of Health and Social Welfare |
| Hungary | VM | Vidékfejlesztési Minisztérium | Ministry of Rural Development |
| | EMMI | Emberi Erőforrások Minisztériuma | Ministry of Human Resources, State Secretariat for Healthcare |
| | NÉBIH | Nemzeti Élelmiszerlánc-biztonsági Hivatal | National Food Chain Safety Office |
| Iceland | ANR | Atvinnuvega- og nýsköpunar-ráðuneytið | Ministry of Industries and Innovation |
| | MAST | Matvælastofnun | Icelandic Food and Veterinary Authority |
| | Matís Ltd. | / | Icelandic Food and Biotech R&D |
| Ireland | DoH | Department of Health | Department of Health |
| | DAFM | Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine | Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine |
| | FSAI | Food Safety Authority of Ireland | Food Safety Authority of Ireland |
| Italy | MdS | Ministero della Salute | Ministry of Health |
| | MPAAF | Ministero delle politiche agricole alimentari e forestali | Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies |
| | ISS | Istituto Superiore di Sanità | National Health Institute |
| Latvia | BIOR | Pārtikas Drošības Dzīvnieku Veselības un Vides Zinātniskais Institūts | Food Safety, Animal Health and Environment Institute |
| | PVD | Pārtikas un Veterinārais Dienests | Food and Veterinary Service |
| | SPKC | Slimību Profilakses un Kontroles Centrs | Centre for Disease Prevention and Control |
| | VAAD | Valsts Augu Aizsardzības Dienests | State Plant Protection Service |

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| Latvia | VAAD | Valsts Augu Aizsardzības Dienests | State Plant Protection Service |
| | VM | Veselības Ministrija | Ministry of Health |
| | ZM | Zemkopības Ministrija | Ministry of Agriculture |
| Lithuania | NMVRVI | Nacionalinis maisto ir veterinarijos rizikos vertinimo institutas | National Food and Veterinary Risk Assessment Institute |
| | SAM | Sveikatos Apsaugos Ministerija | Ministry of Health |
| | SMLPC | Sveikatos mokymo ir ligų prevencijos centras | The Health Education and Disease Prevention Centre |
| | VAT | Valstybinė augalininkystės tarnyba prie Žemės ūkio ministerijos | State Plant Service |
| | VMVT | Valstybinė maisto ir veterinarijos tarnyba | State Food and Veterinary Service |
| | ŽŪM | Žemės Ūkio Ministerija | Ministry of Agriculture |
| | Luxembourg | ASTA | Administration des Services Technique de l'Agriculture |
| ASV | | Administration des Services Vétérinaires | Veterinary Service Administration |
| DIR SAN | | Direction de la santé | Directorate of Public Health |
| MAVDR | | Ministère de l'Agriculture, de la Viticulture et du Développement rural | Ministry of Agriculture, Viticulture and Rural Development |
| MS | | Ministère de la Santé | Ministry of Health |
| OSQCA | | Organisme pour la Sécurité e la Qualité de la Chaine Alimentaire | Organisation for the Safety and Quality of the Food Chain |
| Malta | FSC | Food Safety Commission | Food Safety Commission |
| | MHEC | Ministry for Health, the Elderly and Community Care | Ministry for Health, the Elderly and Community Care |
| | MCCAA | Malta Competition and Consumer Affairs Authority | Malta Competition and Consumer Affairs Authority |
| | MRRA | Ministry of Resources and Rural Affairs | Ministry of Resources and Rural Affairs |
| Montenegro | MPR | Ministarstvo Poljoprivrede i Ruralnog Razvoja | Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development |
| | MZD | Ministarstvo Zdravlja | Ministry of Health |
| | NCFSA | National Council for Food Safety Assessment | National Council for Food Safety Assessment |
| Netherlands | CVI | Central Veterinary Institute | Central Veterinary Institute |
| | EZ | Ministerie van Economische Zaken | Ministry of Economic Affairs |
| | NVWA | Nederlandse Voedsel- en Warenautoriteit | Netherlands Food and Consumer Product Safety Authority |
| | RIKILT | Instituut voor Voedselveiligheid | Institute of Food Safety |
| | RIVM | Rijksinstituut vor Volksgezondheit en Milieu | National Institute of Public Health and the Environment |
| | VWS | Ministerie van Volksgezondheid, Welzijn en Sport | Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sports |

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| Norway | DN | Direktoratet for naturforvaltning | Norwegian Directorate for Nature Management |
| | FKD | Fiskeri- og kystdepartementet | Ministry of Fisheries and Coastal Affairs |
| | HOD | Helse- og omsorgsdepartementet | Ministry of Health and Care Services |
| | LMD | Landbruks- og matdepartementet | Ministry of Agriculture and Food |
| | Mattilsynet | Statens tilsyn for planter, fisk, dyr og næringsmidler | Norwegian Food Safety Authority |
| | MD | Miljøverndepartementet | Ministry of Environment |
| | VKM | Vitenskapskomiteén for mattrygghet | Norwegian Scientific Committee for Food Safety |
| Poland | CS at MF | | The Customs Service at the Ministry of Finance |
| | GIS at MZ | Główny Inspektorat Sanitarny | The Chief Sanitary Inspectorate (GIS) at the Ministry of Health (MZ) |
| | IZZ | Instytut Żywności i Żywienia | National Food and Nutrition Institute |
| | MF | Ministerstwo Finansów | Ministry of Finance |
| | MRiRW | Ministerstwo Rolnictwa i Rozwoju Wsi | Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development |
| | NIZP-PZH | Narodowy Instytut Zdrowia Publicznego – Państwowy Zakład Higieny | National Institute of Public Health -National Institute of Hygiene |
| | PIWET | Państwowy Instytut Weterynaryjny – Państwowy Instytut Badawczy | National Veterinary Research Institute |
| | UOKiK | Urząd Ochrony Konkurencji i Konsumentów | Office of Competition and Consumer Protection |
| Portugal | ASAE | Autoridade de Segurança Alimentar e Económica | Authority for Food Safety and Economics |
| | DGADR | Direcção-Geral de Agricultura e Desenvolvimento Rural | Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development |
| | DGAV | Direcção-Geral de Alimentação e Veterinária | Directorate-General for Food and Veterinary Issues |
| | MAMAOT | Ministério da Agricultura, do Mar, do Ambiente e do Ordenamento do Território | Ministry of Agriculture, Sea, Environment and Spatial Planning |
| | MEE | Ministério da Economia e do Emprego | Ministry of Environment and Employment |
| Romania | ANSVSA | Autoritatea Națională Sanitară Veterinară și pentru Siguranța Alimentelor | National Sanitary Veterinary and Food Safety Authority |
| | ANPC | Autoritatea Națională pentru Protecția Consumatorilor | National Authority for Consumer Protection |
| | MADR | Ministerul Agriculturii și Dezvoltării Rurale | Ministry of Agriculture and Development of Rural Areas |

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| Romania | MMP | Ministerul Mediului și Pădurilor | Ministry of Environment and Forests |
| | MS | Ministerul Sănătății | Ministry of Health |
| Serbia | DNRL | Direkcija za Nacionalne Referentne Laboratorije | Directorate for National Reference Laboratories |
| | MPŠV | Министарство пољопривреде, шумарства и водопривреде | Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management |
| | MZ | Министарство здравља | Ministry of Health |
| | UV | Управа за ветерину | Veterinary Directorate |
| | UZB | Управа за заштиту биља | Plant Protection Directorate |
| Slovak Republic | MPRV-SR | Ministerstvo pôdohospodárstva a rozvoja vidieka Slovenskej republiky | Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development |
| | MZ-SR | Ministerstvo zdravotníctva Slovenskej republiky | Ministry of Health of the Slovak Republic |
| | ŠVPS-SR | Štátna veterinárna a potravinová správa Slovenskej republiky | State Veterinary and Food Administration of the Slovak Republic |
| | ÚKSÚP | Ústredný kontrolný a skúšobný ústav poľnohospodársky | Central Controlling and Testing Institute in Agriculture |
| | ÚVZ-SR | Úrad verejného zdravotníctva Slovenskej republiky | Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic |
| | VÚP | Výskumný ústav potravinársky | Food Research Institute |
| Slovenia | CURS | Carinska Uprava Republike Slovenije | Customs Administration |
| | IRSKO | Inšpektorat Republike Slovenije za Kmetijstvo in Okolje | Inspectorate of the Republic of Slovenia for Agriculture and the Environment |
| | MF | Ministrstvo za Finance | Ministry of Finance |
| | MKO | Ministrstvo za Kmetijstvo in Okolje | Ministry of Agriculture and the Environment |
| | MZ | Ministrstvo za zdravje | Ministry of Health |
| | UVHVVR | Uprava Republike Slovenije za Varno Harno, Veterinarstvo in Varstvo Rastlin | The Administration of the Republic of Slovenia for Food Safety, Veterinary Sector and Plant Protection |
| | ZIRS | Zdravstveni inšpektorat Republike Slovenije | Health Inspectorate of the Republic of Slovenia |
| Spain | AESAN | Agencia Espanola de Seguridad Alimentaria y Nutrición | Spanish Food Safety and Nutrition Agency |
| | MAGRAMA | Ministerio de Agricultura, Alimentación y Medio Ambiente | Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Environment |
| | MSSSI | Ministerio de Sanidad, Servicios Sociales e Igualdad | Ministry of Health, Social Services and Equality |
| Sweden | RK | Regeringskansliet | Ministry of Rural Affairs |
| | JV | Jordbruksverket | Swedish Board of Agriculture |
| | LV | Livsmedelsverket | National Food Agency |
| | SVA | Statens Veterinärmedicinska Anstalt | Swedish National Veterinary Institute |

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| Switzerland | BLK | Bundeseinheit für die Lebensmittelkette | Federal Food Chain Unit |
| | BLV | Bundesamt für Lebensmittelsicherheit und Veterinärwesen | Federal Food Safety and Veterinary Office |
| | BLW | Bundesamt für Landwirtschaft | Federal Office for Agriculture |
| Turkey | GTHB | Gıda Tarım ve Hayvancılık Bakanlığı | Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock |
| | SB | Sağlık Bakanlığı | Ministry of Health |
| | GKGM | Gıda ve Kontrol Genel Müdürlüğü | General Directorate of Protection and Control |
| | BÜGEM | Bitkisel Üretim Genel Müdürlüğü | General Directorate of Plant Production |
| | TAGEM | Tarımsal Araştırmalar Ve Politikalar Genel Müdürlüğü | The General Directorate of Agricultural Research and Policy |
| United Kingdom | Defra | Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs | Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs |
| | FSA | Food Standards Agency | Food Standards Agency |