

**Strategy for the further enhancement of Market Surveillance in Europe**

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**Introduction**

The legal base for market surveillance

- GPSD
  - minimal requirements
- New Framework
  - market surveillance programs
  - stronger requirements

Current legislative framework OK  
if properly applied



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Principles of market surveillance in general:

- protect consumers
- support enterprise and fair competition
- base ongoing activity on effective consultation of all stakeholders



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Principles of market surveillance for MS authorities:

- preventative approach to consumers and businesses
- target deliberately on unsafe products
- swiftly and proportionate
- efficient: partnership and co-ordination
- training
- participation in standard making




**Challenges**

- Overseas manufacturing
- Small operators
- Complexity of regulation and standards
- Effectiveness of corrective actions
- Adequate resources for surveillance



**Objectives**

- systematic approach to joint actions
- consistent approach to market surveillance
- improving collaboration with customs
- adequate liaison MSA's and standards
- improving operational level collaboration with MSA's outside Europe
- transparency working MSA's
- helping economic operators




**KEY ELEMENTS**

- Exchange of information and coordination between national authorities
- Cooperation with customs
- International collaboration




**8 SPECIFIC ISSUES**

- Best practice
- Joint actions and coordinated market surveillance activities
- Risk assessment
- Material for external stakeholders
- Training
- Improvement of market surveillance programmes
- Standards related activities
- Liaison with Notified Bodies




**BEST PRACTICE**

- The Book  
practical implementation
- in new areas  
customs
- longer period




**JOINT ACTIONS AND COORDINATION**

- Prosafe as contracting partner  
=> more MS and JA
- identify best practice  
=> guidelines and procedures



**RISK ASSESSMENT**

- IRAG
- Use by RAF
- Chemrisk toolbox
- collection of cases
- import data (IDB ...)




**MATERIAL FOR EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS**

- Guidance material
- Updated correctiev action guide



**TRAINING**

- food => non-food
- train the trainers
- webtraining
- tools of EMARS: RAF, Knowledge base,...

**CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT OF NATIONAL MARKET SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMMES**

- Scoreboard, framework
  - => more explicit requirements and obligations for MSA's
- mutual inspection visits
- assessment
- joint visits

**STANDARDS**

- Improving transparency and efficiency of participation at national level

**LIAISON NOTIFIED BODIES**

- Improving links between groups of NoBo's and MSA's

**Conclusion**

The existence of a central resource at European level is essential to the continued improvement of market surveillance in Europe.

**National level:**

- constant attention
- adequate resources

**Ensure a core competency at European level**

- by sustainable funding



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