

Workshop – Quality Inspection

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Session 1: Overview and introduction – Greece

- Greece
- Mr. Markus Pikart; United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva, Switzerland

Session 2: Quality standards and inspection systems

UNECE and agricultural quality standards

- Ms. Liliana Annovazzi-Jakab; United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva, Switzerland

The use of agricultural quality standards in EU countries

Focus: EU marketing standards and relation with UNECE quality standards;

Legal and technical infrastructure for the implementation of standards, interpretation of quality standards

- Ms. Catherine Ballandras; DGCCRF (Directorate-General for Competition, Consumption and Repression of Fraud), Paris, France

Quality inspection systems, risk assessment systems, authorized traders' schemes, EU legislation

Focus: Legal and technical pre-conditions; objectives and functions of inspection services; effectiveness of risk-based systems; electronic application for certificates; IT-based systems facilitating delivery of certificates for exporters; overview on how the quality inspection system is organized and works in EU countries; links between inspection services and other national control agencies

- **France**

Ms. Catherine Ballandras; DGCCRF (Directorate-General for Competition, Consumption and Repression of Fraud), Paris, France

- **Spain**

Mr. José Luis Lopez Carmona; SOIVRE (Official Spanish Inspection Service), Algeciras, Spain

- **Greece**

Session 2: Inspection methods, inspection systems and risk-based inspection environments

Sampling and testing in a risk-based inspection environment

Focus: Sampling methods recommended by the OECD for application by inspection services; Objective tests to determine quality of fruits and vegetables. Main differences between Procedure systems

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- Ms. Catherine Ballandras; DGCCRF (Directorate-General for Competition, Consumption and Repression of Fraud), Paris, France

Session 3: Export to third countries - Experiences – Challenges

Discussions on procedures, challenges encountered and possible solutions

Focus: Procedures and General requirements for export of fresh fruit and vegetables to non-EU countries (incl. experiences with other EU countries)

- Ms. Catherine Ballandras
- Mr. José Luis Lopez Carmona
