

## 24th Meeting of the Codex Contact Points in the Arab Region

**ANALYSIS OF AGENDA ITEMS IN PREPARATION FOR THE 54th  
SESSION OF THE CODEX COMMITTEE ON FOOD ADDITIVES  
(CCFA54)**

*April 18, 2024*

# 4.b

## AGENDA ITEM 4.b: ALIGNMENT OF THE FOOD ADDITIVE PROVISIONS OF COMMODITY STANDARDS: REPORT OF THE EWG ON ALIGNMENT

- Documents CX/FA 24/54/6
- The CCCFA54 is invited to consider the proposed amendments to the food additive provisions of commodity standards prepared by the EWG on alignment.



# Background : Agenda Item 4.b

## PRELIMINARY WORK BY IDF

International Dairy Federation (IDF) conducted initial alignment technical work.

## ENDORSEMENT AT CCFA53 (2023):

- i. Alignment deferred to CCFA54.
- ii. Establishment of an EWG chaired by Canada, co-chaired by USA and Japan.
- iii. Update the work plan for future alignment of food additive provisions.

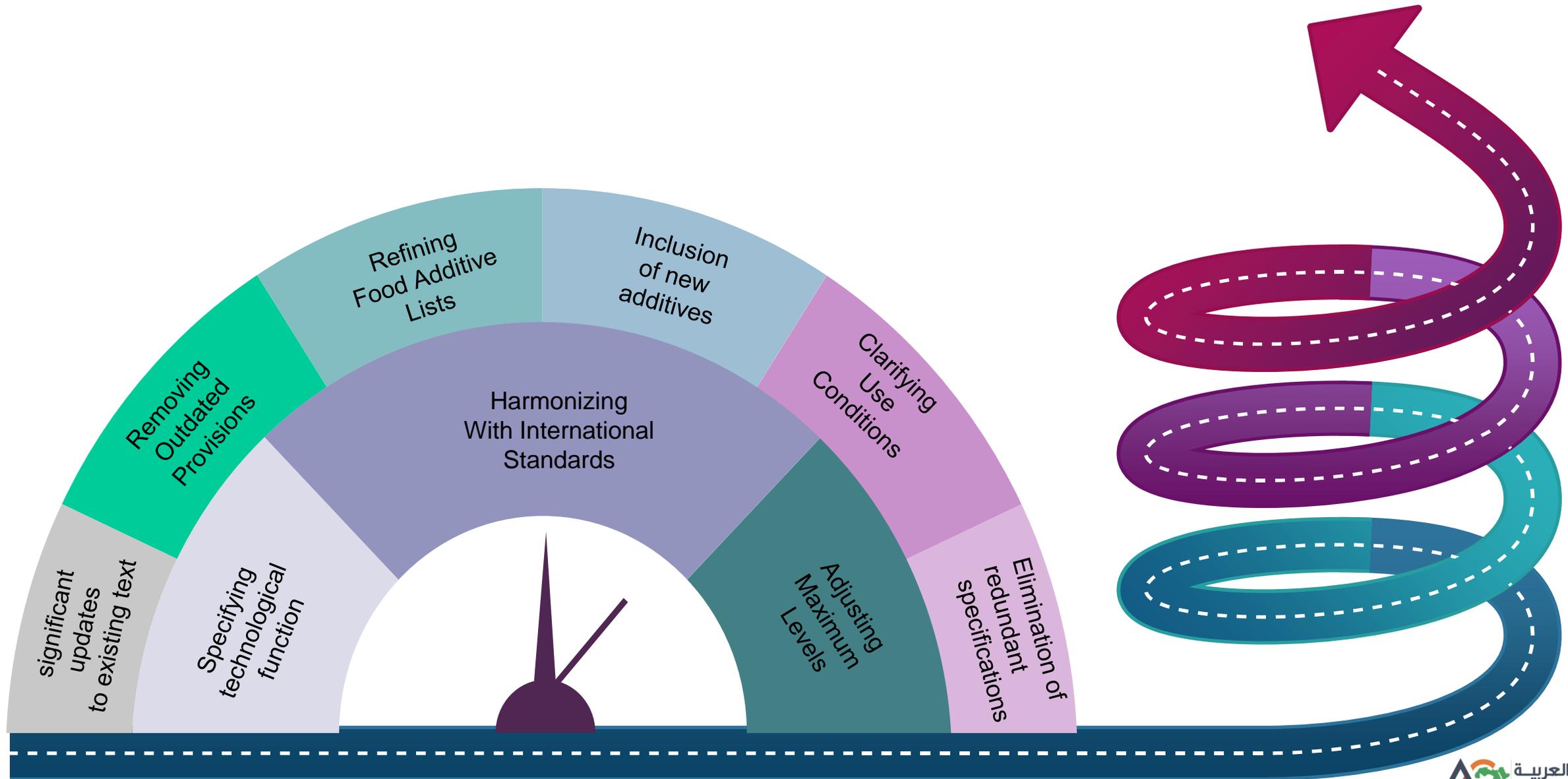
## KEY TASKS OF THE EWG

- i. Re-circulate alignment of milk and milk products standards.
- ii. Develop Table 3 notes in GSFA.
- iii. verify if the Standard for Processed Tomato Concentrates (CXS 57-1981)
- iv. Align specified commodity and regional standards.

## ALIGNMENT AT CCFA (2024)

Consideration of EWG report

# Key Updates in Food Additive Provisions



# Conclusions



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## Further Review for Clarity

Conduct additional review of standard texts to ensure clarity and consistency in conveying information on permitted additives.



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## Continuation of Alignment Process

Continue the alignment process exercise, considering potential changes in food categories and additive provisions.



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## Addressing Contradictions

Address contradictions between existing notes to avoid confusion and achieve coherence within the standards.



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## Improving Clarity and Coherence:

Arab Codex delegations can contribute to enhancing the clarity, coherence, and effectiveness of regional commodity standards

