

## 23rd Meeting of the Codex Contact Points in the Arab Region

ANALYSIS OF AGENDA ITEMS IN PREPARATION FOR THE 17th SESSION OF THE  
CODEX COMMITTEE ON CONTAMINANTS IN FOOD  
(CCCF17)

*April 4, 2024*

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## Agenda Item 15:

DISCUSSION PAPER ON REVIEW OF THE CODE OF PRACTICE FOR THE REDUCTION OF AFLATOXIN B1 IN RAW MATERIALS AND SUPPLEMENTAL FEEDINGSTUFFS FOR MILK-PRODUCING ANIMAL

CX/CF 24/17/15



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CCCF13 (2019)	It was agreed to develop an approach for reviewing existing Codex standards developed by the CCCF.
CCCF14 (2021)	It was agreed to establish tracking lists for Codex standards and criteria to prioritize reviews, initiating a three-year trial period for this approach.
CCCF15 (2022)	It was agreed to create an <b>Overall Highest Priority List</b> (the “OHPL”) of Codex Standards and Related Texts for Contaminants in Food and Feed.
CCCF15 (2022)	It was agreed to develop a discussion paper on the review of the Code of practice for the reduction of aflatoxin B1 in raw materials and supplemental feedingstuffs for milk-producing animals (CXC 45-1997).

# Purpose of the Discussion Paper



Include the additional information

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Identify other revisions

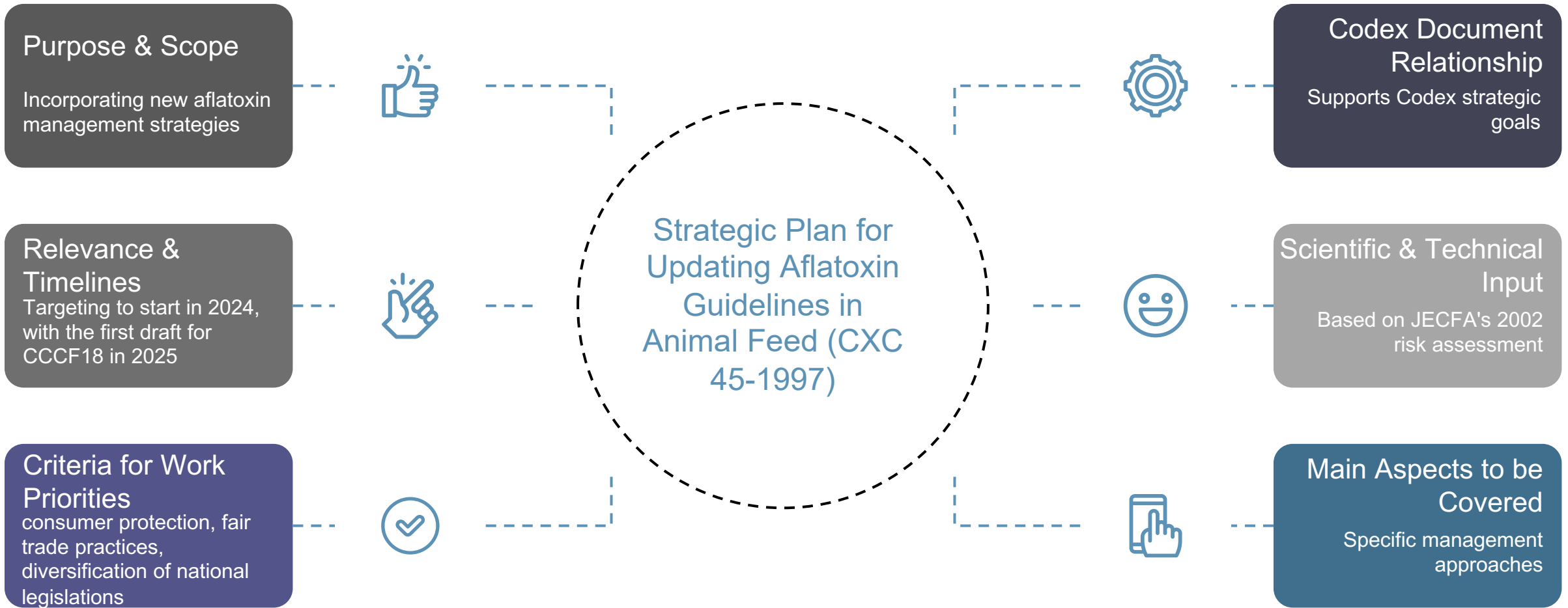
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Highlight areas of redundancy with other Codex CoPs

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# Strategic Plan for Updating Aflatoxin Guidelines in Animal Feed (CXC 45-1997)



# Key Reasons to Urgently Update the Aflatoxin Reduction CoP

## OUTDATED CODE OF PRACTICE

**Established:** 1997  
**Status:** Not reviewed or modified since inception

## HEALTH CONCERNS

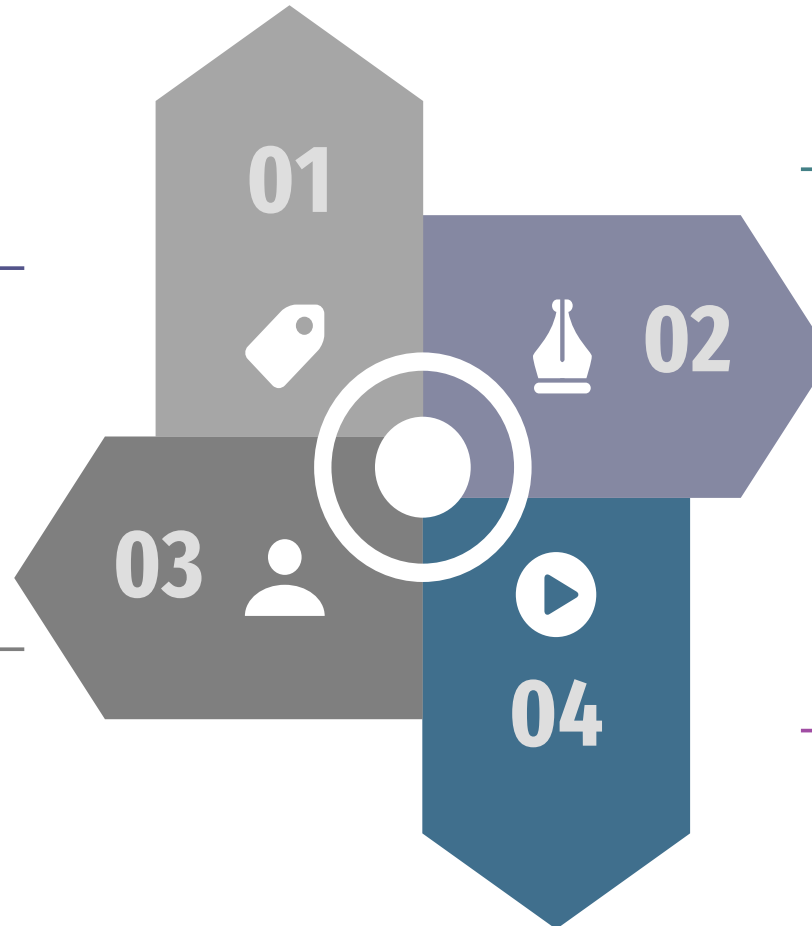
**Issue:** No Health-Based Guidance Value (HBGV) established  
**Reason:** Aflatoxin's genotoxicity and carcinogenicity

## NEED FOR REVIEW

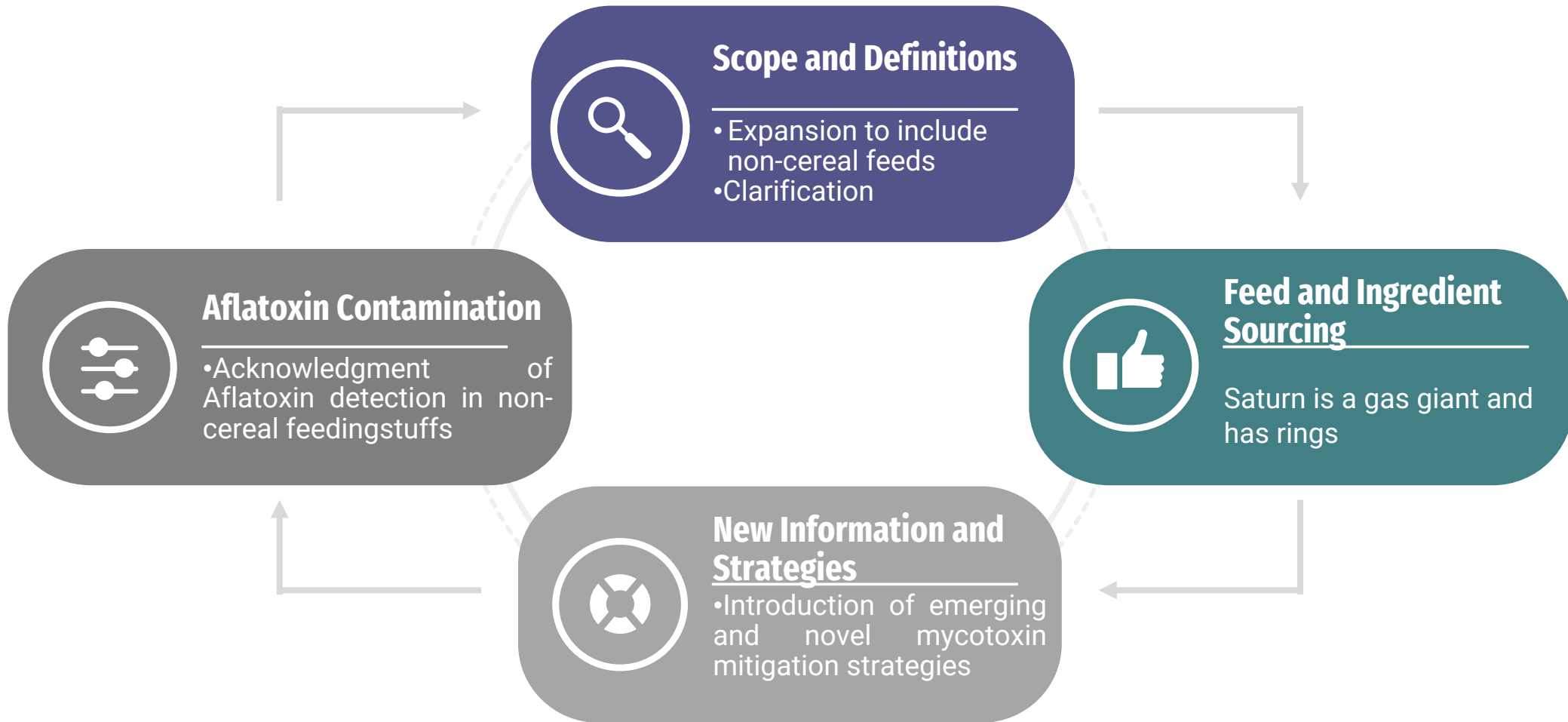
**Comparable CoP Updates:** Other standards updated without parallel review of CXC 45-1997  
**Member Country Initiative:** Canada volunteered to lead revision work.

## STAPLE FOOD IMPACT

**Commodity:** Animal-derived milk  
**Significance:** Staple food worldwide, including developing countries



# Key Proposed Revisions to CXC 45-1997



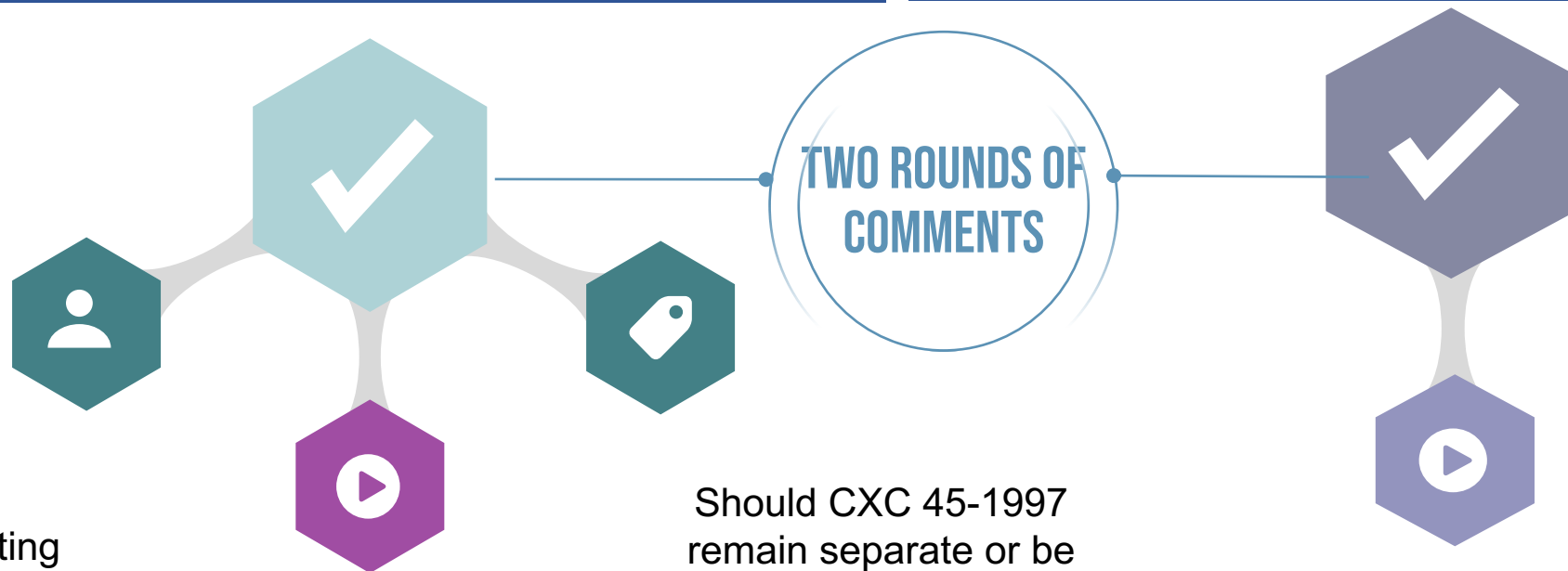
# Comments

## First draft discussion paper

Six (6) members submitted comments: Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Denmark, Japan, United States

## Second draft discussion paper

Two (2) EWG members commented



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COMMENTS

Is there new information warranting the revision of CXC 45-1997?

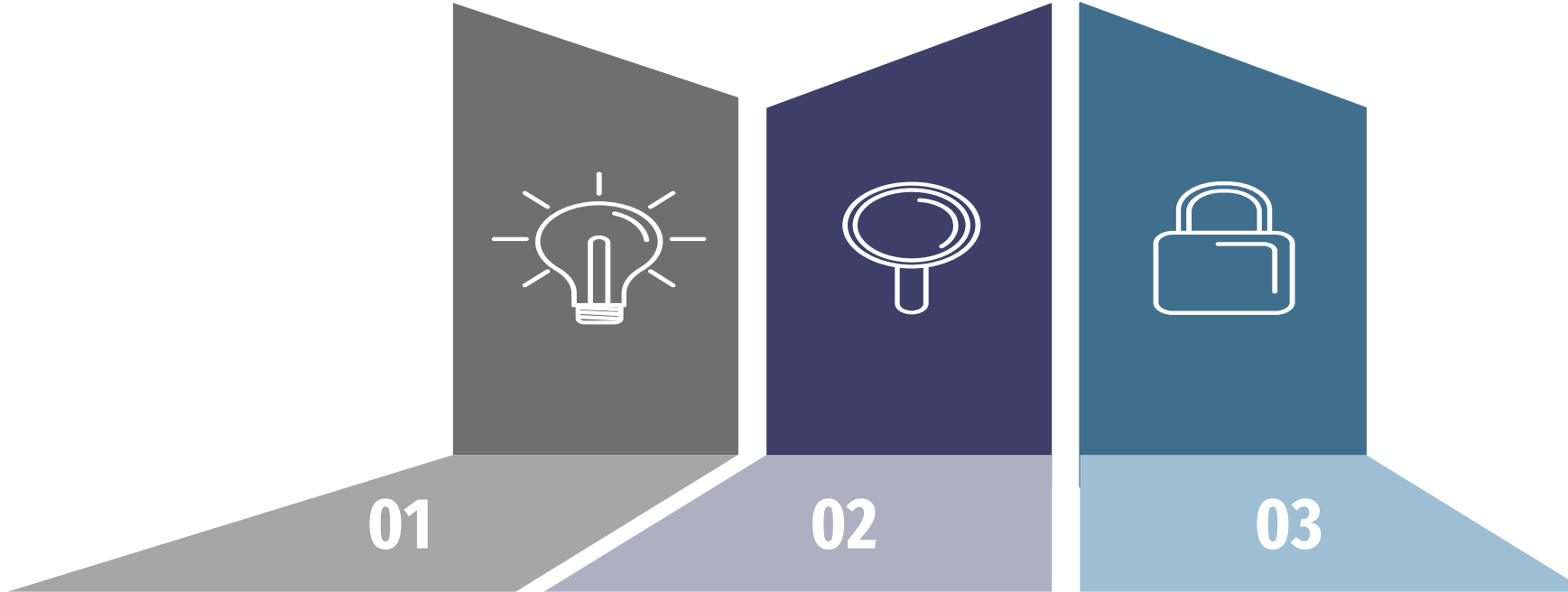
Can the majority of CXC 51-2003 apply to non-cereal feedingstuffs of agricultural origin used as animal feed?

Should CXC 45-1997 remain separate or be merged with CXC 51-2003?

To forward to the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) if approved by CCCF17.



# Conclusion and Recommendations



01  
The Arab Codex delegations might **support this proposal**, which will encompass updated information, incorporating recent scientific insights and practices.

02  
The Arab Codex delegations may **support the expansion of the CoP's scope to include non-cereal feeds**, thereby covering all sources of aflatoxin contamination.

03  
The Arab Codex delegations may **emphasize the importance of clarifying definitions and terminology through standardized references** to enhance understanding and implementation.

