



Report of the 25th meeting of the Arab Codex Contact Points

As part of the implementation of recommendation (3) of the 24th meeting report of the Arab Codex Contact Points, held virtually on Thursday 18 April 2024, which states:

“The 25th meeting of Arab CCPs will be held at a date to be determined later in coordination with GFoRSS. “

This coordination meeting was held virtually on Monday 27 May 2024 to prepare the meeting (55) of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR55), with the participation of representatives of the following Arab countries:

1. Jordan
2. UAE
3. Bahrain
4. Tunisia
5. Saudi Arabia
6. Syria
7. Palestine
8. Egypt
9. Morocco

As well as AIDSMO, GFoRSS, and GSO representatives.

The meeting was opened by the representative of AIDSMO and the coordinator of the Arab Codex Initiative, in a speech in which he welcomed the participants and thanked them for responding to the invitation to participate, noting that the meeting is concerned with analyzing the agenda items of the 55th meeting of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR55) to be held in China during the period 03 - 08 June 2024. He also welcomed the efforts made by the experts of the Arab Codex Initiative under Prof. Samuel Godefroy and thanked the representative of UAE Eng. Sonia Baldi for preparing and presenting the meeting's presentation.

The meeting agenda items were approved as follows:

Agenda item	Subject
Item 1	Opening Remarks and adoption of Agenda: Arab Codex Initiative Coordinator
Item 2	Review and analysis of agenda Items of Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR55)
Item 3	Committee Updates on the Arab Codex Initiative: Procedures
Item 4	The third Arab Codex Colloquium

The Second item of the meeting: Eng. Sonia Baladi, representative of the United Arab Emirates, gave a presentation entitled "Good Practices in Preparing and Attending Meetings of the Codex Alimentarius Committee on Pesticide Residues." The presentation addressed several important points, including: the necessity of pre-scheduling the committee's work, submitting comments on circular letters, the importance of unifying national and regional opinions regarding the work of the Codex Alimentarius Commission, in addition to a detailed explanation of a set of procedures for Codex meetings.

The Third item of the meeting: The coordinator of the Arab Codex Initiative reviewed the proposed agenda for the Third Arab Codex Colloquium, which is scheduled to be held in person in Amman-Jordan during the period from 11 to 13 June 2024, some of the logistical matters of the colloquium were also discussed.

The Fourth item of the meeting: Both the Coordinator of the Arab Codex Initiative and Professor Samuel Godefroy touched on the future strategy for developing procedures related to the guidelines with the aim of effective participation in the activities of the Arab Codex Initiative, where it was explained that a special committee for procedures would be established within the initiative and will consist of representatives from five Arab countries, and the committee will be the responsible for setting procedures related to guidelines for effective participation in the activities of the Arab Initiative (in person), in addition to determining the prizes and rewards related to them.

Lastly, the following conclusions and recommendations were adopted:

1. Inclusion of all documents and presentations presented during the meeting in the interactive platform of the Arab Codex Initiative (www.Arabcodex.com).
2. Thanking Prof. Samuel Godefroy/President of GFoRSS, and the representative of UAE Eng. Sonia Baldi for preparing and presenting analysis presentation of the agenda items of the 55th meeting of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues (CCPR55).

3. Establishment a dedicate committee to develop procedures for guidelines, to encourage Arab Codex Contact to actively participate in the activities of the Arab Codex Initiative.
4. The 26th meeting of Arab CCPs will be held at a date to be determined later in coordination with GFoRSS.