

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS – RECORD OF DECISIONS

30 August 2024

08:00 – 09:00 AM Quebec City Time

### Zoom Meeting Details

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Meeting ID: 817 7437 1975

Passcode: 991265

### PARTICIPANTS

Name	Officer / Function	Present	Regrets
Dr. Pamela Byrne	Vice President – Ireland	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Prof. Kaushik Banerjee	Member - India	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mrs. Zeinab Bouchiki	Member - Morocco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prof. Junshi Chen	Honorary President – China	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prof. Samuel Godefroy	President – Canada	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ms. Nuri Gras	Vice President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dr. Wiem Guissouma	Executive Secretary - Tunisia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ms. Joyce Haddad	Executive Secretary – Lebanon	<input type="checkbox"/>	Absent with no advice
Mr. Greg Paoli	Treasurer - Canada	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## PROPOSED AGENDA

Item	Participants
A. Review of the Agenda	All
B. Review and Approval of 26 July 2024 Record of Decisions	All
C. Discussion of upcoming science dissemination activities and webinars	Prof. Samuel Godefroy and all
D. Creation of Sub-committees of the Board	Prof. Godefroy, all
E. Adjournment	

## MEETING DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS

### A. Review of the Agenda

The meeting started at 8:00 AM Quebec time.

The quorum was confirmed.

Dr. Wiem Guissouma made the resolution for approval, seconded by Mr. Greg Paoli.

The agenda was reviewed and unanimously approved.

### B. Review and Approval of 26 July 2024 Record of Decisions

The RoD was reviewed. Mrs Nuri Gras Rebolledo made the resolution for approval of the records of the decision, seconded by Mrs. Zeinab Bouchiki.

The records of decisions of the meeting of 26 July 2024 were unanimously approved.

### C. Discussion of upcoming science dissemination activities and webinars

Professor Samuel Godefroy introduced to the board members a forthcoming series of food regulatory science webinars organized by GForSS, scheduled from mid-September to December 2024. He highlighted that this series will cover a broad spectrum of topics within food regulatory science, from laboratory methodologies to social and economic aspects. The webinars will be open to the global public, with time slots strategically selected to accommodate participants from various regions in the world. Additionally, translation services may be provided depending on funding, and the timing of the webinars will align with significant regulatory events to enhance their relevance and impact.

Later, Professor Samuel Godefroy emphasized the need of continuing food regulatory science dissemination activities by establishing a dedicated committee. He suggested re-creating a small committee to oversee these activities and invited existing members to participate.

Professor Godefroy proposed a motion to support the re-creation of this committee, which will be co-led by Mrs Nuri Gras and Dr. Wiem Guissouma, with contributions from Mrs. Zeinab Bouchiki and Mr. Greg Paoli, and support from Dr. Elie Bouyazbeck, to plan the Food Regulatory Science webinar series in a sustainable way.

The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **D. Informative item : Dubai International Food Safety Conference(DIFSC)**

Professor Samuel Godefroy informed the board members about the upcoming Dubai International Food Safety Conference (DIFSC), scheduled for October 21-23, 2024, where GForSS will take a leadership role. He announced that GForSS will organize key sessions during the conference to address significant topics in food regulatory science.

Prof Samuel highlighted that the conference may offer an opportunity for the board members to participate in person, enhancing communication and networking among experts. Professor Godefroy informed members that more details about the program will be shared as they are made available and communicated by the Dubai Organising team.

#### **E. Creation of Sub-committees of the Board**

Professor Samuel Godefroy proposed the establishment of three committees to strengthen the operations of GForSS

- **Food regulatory science dissemination events committee:** This committee will plan and manage the Food Regulatory Science webinar series in a sustainable manner, ensuring effective knowledge sharing and collaboration within the field.
- **Operations Oversight Committee:** This committee will guide and monitor GForSS's operations, ensuring that its activities align with organizational goals, adhere to regulations, and operate efficiently.
- **Policies committee:** This committee will be responsible for creating, evaluating, and recommending policies that support GForSS's mission, vision, and strategic objectives. It will ensure that all policies are effective and up to date.

Professor Godefroy emphasized the importance of finalizing the membership for these committees and suggested reaching out to all members, including those not present. The goal is to ensure that the committees are operational and effective, with specific terms of reference developed for each.

#### **F. Adjournment**

The Board meeting was concluded at 9:17 AM Quebec local time.