

# EFSA support for novel/traditional food applications by SMEs

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## Regulation

[Call for expressions of interest](#) targeting SME–Novel Food potential applicants interested in receiving EFSA’s advice

## What is changing and why?

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) who are thinking of applying to the EU for an authorisation that will allow them to put novel/traditional foods on the European market can receive support in this process from the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA). EFSA aims to help SMEs understand the EU’s requirements regarding novel/traditional foods and prepare their applications. SMEs interested in receiving an online briefing from EFSA should fill in an [expression of interest](#) form by **31 October 2024**. This call for expressions of interest focuses on two specific stages: the very early stage of development of a novel food; and the final stages of preparing an application.

## Timeline

SMEs interested in receiving support from EFSA on preparing or completing novel/traditional food applications should submit an expression of interest form before **31 October 2024**.

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