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Welcome to Issue 58 of AGRINFO UPDATE. We report on two new EU public consultations on EU initiatives to simplify food and feed safety rules, and to strengthen animal welfare rules. Also, stakeholders can give feedback through the World Trade Organization on a proposed updated list, related to public health, of countries that can export animal products to the EU.

Recently published regulations include new maximum levels of inorganic arsenic in fish and seafood, and a maximum residue level for fluralaner in fin fish. We also report on the EU's overview of the most recent findings of non-compliant food imports.

Finally – please register now for our remaining October webinars on how companies and competent authorities can use the EU's TRACES system for veterinary and plant health certificates.

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Food and feed safety

EU proposes simplified food and feed safety rules to reduce costs and burdens for operators and authorities. Feedback to EU by **14 October**

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Animal welfare

EU to review on-farm animal welfare rules, including for imported products – public consultation. Feedback to EU by **12 December**

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EU Common Fisheries Policy external strategy: Review

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Geographical indications

EU Register of PDOs and PGIs for non-EU products so far in 2025:

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Food safety controls

EU to update public health list of countries that can export animal products to EU – impact on **Albania**, **Kyrgyz Republic**, **North Macedonia**, **Uganda**, **Ukraine**. Feedback to WTO by **16 November**

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New Regulations coming into force and application dates



Contaminants

EU adopts maximum levels of inorganic arsenic in fish and seafood. Applies from **7 October 2025**

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Veterinary residues

EU establishes maximum residue level for fluralaner in fin fish. Applies from **15 October 2025**

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Tariffs & quotas

EU continues suspension of GSP preferential tariffs for animal products and fats/oils from **Indonesia**

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Animal health controls

HPAI: EU allows gradual reauthorisation of imports of poultry; germinal products of poultry; and fresh poultry and game bird meat from **Brazil**

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Reports on non-compliance



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Latest EU overview of food found not to comply with EU law

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