



## **FAMI-QS Code of Practice Version 6 Public Consultation**

In 2016, FAMI-QS carried out the challenging task of fully revising its system, in order to stay abreast of the new developments in our fast evolving industry.

With an experienced and active team of experts, as well as valuable partners in Brazil, China, Europe and the U.S., and thanks to their efforts, we were able to make this revision of the Code, having a robust final document that provides requirements for implementing measures necessary to ensure feed safety and quality of specialty feed ingredients. The ultimate goal of this Code of Practice is to ensure feed safety by minimizing the risk of unsafe ingredients entering the food chain.

**The final draft of the FAMI-QS Code of Practice (version 6) is now ready for public consultation.**

The most remarkable change to the FAMI-QS Code is its structure. FAMI-QS Code Version 6 follows now the same overall structure as other ISO management system standards do (known as the High-Level Structure, SO/IEC Directives, Part 1 Consolidated ISO Supplement – Procedures specific to ISO), making it easier for anyone using multiple management systems.

The requirements of FAMI-QS Code Version 5.1 have been reorganised in order to meet the ISO High Level Structure. In some cases, the requirements are addressed in a more detailed way. This will allow, in one hand, Operators to get more guidance in implementing specific requirements and, on the other hand, to avoid misinterpretation. Version 6 includes a dedicated chapter on Good Manufacturing Practices, which is aligned with the requirements of ISO/TS 22002 Part 6 (Feed and Animal Food Production) and Food Safety Modernization Act Current Good Manufacturing Practices (CGMPs), established for animal food production.

For the preparation of the FAMI-QS Version 6, the requirements of WTO-TBT Agreement Annex 3 Code of Good Practices for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards and ISO/IEC Guide 60:2004 Conformity Assessment Code to Good Practice were taken into consideration.

**This document, together with the “Revision Template” (word document) are available at <http://www.fami-qs.org/system-revision.html>.**

**FAMI-QS invites every stakeholder, auditor and all other interested persons to read and comment the FAMI-QS Code of Practice. The possibility to comment on the Code will be until the 13<sup>th</sup> of April.**

## FAMI-QS Workshop in Bangkok, Thailand

Nowadays, feed business operators' operational activities take place in a rather complex legal and business environment. Third Party Certification (TPC) against a feed safety scheme has become an important feature for the feed sector. As far as the Specialty Feed Ingredients sector is concerned FAMI-QS in particular, is becoming an important tool in supporting market access, at a global level.

Besides its market value, a credible/ accredited Third Party Certification could also be a useful tool in hands of competent authorities, regarding e.g. planning of the official controls or “granting” market access to products or operators. Third Party Certification is not meant to substitute the responsibilities of competent authorities, but has been increasingly recognized by a number of them as an important element, which not only supports their enforcement role, but can also help setting state-of-the-art practices at global level and, as such, facilitate understanding and exchanges worldwide.

To enhance better understanding of the role of Third Party Certification in Feed and Food Safety and the role of FAMI-QS, a one day workshop on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 2017 in Bangkok, Thailand will be organised.



### PRACTICAL INFORMATION

**Venue** Bangkok, Thailand *(to be confirmed exact location)*

**Time** 09:30 – 17:00

**Binding registration** 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017. In case you are interested in participating, please contact Ms. Aleksandra Jankowska ([info@fami-qs.org](mailto:info@fami-qs.org))

PARTICIPATION IN THE WORKSHOP IS FREE OF CHARGE.

## Awareness in Feed Safety - Training for Industry

FAMI-QS will organise a 2-day training session for the Industry of Specialty Feed Ingredients on the 3<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2017.

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### WHY ATTEND THIS TRAINING?

The aim of the training is to provide the necessary information to the participants regarding:

- FAMI-QS certification process;
- Requirements of the FAMI-QS Code;
- Interpretation of the Code;
- Feed safety;
- EU feed legislation.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND THE TRAINING?

- Anyone who is involved in the implementation of the FAMI-QS certification system (Quality Managers, Consultants,...);
- Internal FAMI-QS Auditors;
- Producers, Suppliers and Traders of Specialty Feed Ingredients;
- Individuals who want to obtain further information on the FAMI-QS Certification.

### PRACTICAL INFORMATION

**Venue** Manos Conférence & Business Centre, Chaussée de Charleroi 135, 1060 Brussels

**Admission Fee** 450€

**Binding registration** 30<sup>th</sup> May 2017

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## Consultancy Services for the FAMI-QS Certification

Once again, the FAMI-QS secretariat has been identifying a number of organisations on the Internet, which provide consultation services for the implementation of FAMI-QS services.

We would like to draw your attention on the fact that FAMI-QS has no direct communication with any consultancy organisations. When selecting your partner to implement the FAMI-QS Code, it is important that you verify the consultancy organisation's competence, in understanding the FAMI-QS Code, the EU Feed Safety concept and the EU regulatory framework.

### About FAMI-QS

FAMI-QS is the only certifiable code specifically aimed at Specialty Feed Ingredients and Their Mixtures (feed additives, functional feed ingredients, premixtures, specialty complementary feed, and specialty complementary dietetic feed) for animal nutrition. The code addresses safety, quality and regulatory compliance in order to minimize the risk that unsafe specialty feed ingredients enter the food and feed chain. It offers independent certification for all operators placing these products on the market. Based on partnership with international certification bodies and third countries institutional partners, it includes more than 850 certified sites spread across more than 52 countries. The current FAMI-QS President is Dr. Dieter Greissing, Evonik Industries AG.