

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

NOVEL FOODS AND NOVEL

FOOD INGREDIENTS

SCIENTIFIC AND REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS

Milan, July 9, 2010

Aula Magna, Università degli Studi di Milano
Via Festa del Perdono 7

Regulation (EC) 258/97 has marked the start of the EU legislation on “Novel Foods”. During about 13 years since the adoption of this Regulation many novel foods have been marketed in the EU through a national or community authorisation procedure, depending on the possibility or impossibility of demonstrating a “substantial equivalence” of the novel food with other foods already present on the market before 15 May 1997. However, with time, a need has been identified to amend this Regulation in order, among others, to simplify the authorisation procedure and to include in the scope of the Regulation other types of foods such as those derived from nanotechnologies and cloned animals. Regulatory activities, undertaken by the European Institutions, on-going since long time, have made possible to reach a consensus on several amendments, although some uncertainties still persist.

The Conference on “*Novel Foods and Novel Food Ingredients*”, focussing on regulatory and scientific on-going developments, will address roles and recent activities of the competent European and Italian Institutions through interventions of their highly qualified representatives. It will also offer an opportunity for an interactive round table to exchange evaluations and viewpoints of consumer, industrial and scientific professional Organizations. Moreover, an analysis will be carried out of the market developments that have taken place so far.

This Conference is a part of the activity Programme focussed on scientific and regulatory subjects concerning human nutrition, developed by NFI - Nutrition Foundation of Italy. To facilitate the exchange of knowledge, NFI has also produced a book (in Italian) on “Novel Foods and Food Ingredients” that will be made available, as electronic draft, to all participants before the Conference, and, as final paper publication including also the main outcomes of the Conference, in the second half of 2010. Such a book will also be available through the usual commercial channels (e.g. bookshops).

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

9.30 PARTICIPANT'S REGISTRATION

10.15 **OPENING AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

Rodolfo PAOLETTI (President, NFI - Nutrition Foundation of Italy)

10.30 **I SESSION ROLES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS**

Paola TESTORI COGGI (Director General, DG for Health and Consumers - European Commission)

Wolfgang GELBMANN (Senior Scientific Officer, Panel on Nutrition, Dietetic Products and Allergy - European Food Safety Authority, EFSA)

11.30 **II SESSION ROLES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE ITALIAN NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS**

Chair: **Andrea POLI** (Scientific Director, NFI - Nutrition Foundation of Italy)

Bruno SCARPA (Director, Office for Dietetic and Functional foods, Italian Ministry of Health)

Pier Davide LECCHINI (Attaché to Health Policy, Pharmaceuticals, Permanent, Representation of Italy to the European Union)

Agostino MACRIP (Director, Department of Veterinary Public Health and Food Safety, Italian National Institute of Health)

Chair: **Barbara KLAUS** (Law firm meyer//meisterernst, Milan)

An outlook of the Italian food consumption: the role of innovation

Denis PANTINI (Head of Agrifood Unit – Nomisma spa, Bologna)

13.30 *Lunch*

14.30 III SESSION

THE VIEWPOINTS FROM CONSUMERS, COMPANIES, AND SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY

Chair: **Claudia SORLINI** (Dean, Faculty of Agriculture of the University of Milan)

Anna BARTOLINI (Professor, Course on Consumer Rights in Europe at IULM University of Milan)

Gianni CAVINATO (President, Consumers and Users Association - ACU, also representing the National Council of Consumers and Users - CNCU, Italian Ministry of Economic Development)

Daniele ROSSI (Director General, Italian Federation of Food Industry - FEDERALIMENTARE)

Nicola CALZOLARO (Director, Italian National Association of Vegetable Preserves - ANICAV)

Claudio RANZANI (Director General, Italian Oil Industry Association - ASSITOL)

Cesare R. SIRTORI (President, Italian Nutraceutical Society - SINut)

Marisa PORRINI (Italian Society of Human Nutrition – SINU)

Giancarlo CRISCUOLI (President, Italian Food Technologists)

Alberico L. CATAPANO (President, Italian Nutraceutical and Food Supplement Society - SINIA)

16.00 IV SESSION

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Chair: **Vittorio SILANO** (Chair, Scientific Committee, European Food Safety Authority- EFSA)

17.00 *End of the Conference*

GENERAL INFORMATION

Venue of the Conference - the meeting will take place on **Friday, July 9, 2010** in the **Main Room** (“Aula Magna”) of the **State University of Milan (Via Festa del Perdono 7, Milan)**. The venue is in the city centre of Milan, at 5 minutes walking distance to the Dome.

Simultaneous Translation – the official language of the meeting will be Italian. A simultaneous translation from Italian into English (and viceversa) will be provided to participants.

Registration and Fees – Participants are entitled to: attend the scientific sessions; receive the conference material (mainly in Italian); nr. 1 lunch; and the certificate of attendance.

The **Registration Fee** is **€ 270,00** (VAT included) and the deadline to register is: **July 2, 2010**.

To register after the deadline, please contact the Scientific-Organizing Secretariat. Participants must send both the Registration form (filled in all its parts) and a copy of the bank transfer to the Scientific Organizing Secretariat (NFI - Nutrition Foundation of Italy, Viale Tunisia 38 – 20124 MILAN- Italy; Phone: +39 02 76006271 Fax: +39 02 25060035; E-mail: meeting@nutrition-foundation.it).

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