

Food Regulation AY 2023-2024

Week	Tuesday 16.00-19.00	Topic	Lecturer
1 13/2	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	<p>Introduction and objectives</p> <p>Explanation of own case study and topics</p> <p>European level/History and EU institutions/Building blocks</p>	LJ JH
2 20/2	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	<p>Basic acts : general food law and Belgian legislation</p> <p>Legislation related to Novel foods, GMOs</p>	JH
3 27/2	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	<p>The Food Hygiene Package and legislation related to (micro)biological hazards</p> <p>Legislation related to Food Information to Consumers (FIC)</p> <p>Send in topic for case study</p>	JH
4 5/3	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	<p>Legislation related to chemical hazards (e.g. residues and contaminants including food contact materials) 4-5.15 pm</p> <p>Other documents (e.g. Guidance documents, Commission Notices) as “soft laws” + Demonstration of websites, databases – finding legal documents</p> <p>Feedforward own case study : interactive moment to ask questions and to decide on topic of case and role to play</p>	LJ LJ Bring lap top AP
5 12/3	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	<p>Legislation related to Food Improvement Agents (e.g. additives, enzymes, flavourings)</p> <p>Seminar 1 : Global Food Contact legislation requirements (Main focus on EU, US-FDA, China) Dr Sarah Gabriel-Régis</p> <p>5.30 – 6.30 pm + discussion</p> <p>Self-study : Exercises on food additives</p>	JH LJ LJ
6 19/3	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	<p>Seminar 2 : Claims – Aude Mahy (obligation to be present) 4 – 5.15 pm</p> <p>Guided exercises on FIC and labelling 5.30 – 6.30 pm</p> <p>obligation to be present</p>	LJ

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		Feedforward own case study : interactive moment to ask questions	AP
7 26/3	Classroom A3, building A, campus Coupure	<p>International context: -Codex Alimentarius – horizontal and vertical standards</p> <p>-Setting risk-based and evidence based legal framework as risk management strategy</p> <p>5.30 pm Seminar 3 : Food law in international company Carine Hintjens – Vandemoortele Group</p> <p>Feedforward own case study : interactive moment to ask questions</p>	<p>LJ</p> <p>LJ</p> <p>AP</p>
	Eastern holiday		
	Eastern holiday		Due date case study 8th of April 1 pm.
8 16/4	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	<p>Belgian Self-checking/autocontrole (principles, sector guides, checklists, quick start sheets...)</p> <p>Recognitions, authorizations and registration of food business operators</p> <p>Organisational framework (food safety agency and ministry of public health)</p>	JH
9 23/4	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	Presentation own case study – microteaching	JH/LJ/AP
10 30/4	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	<p>Seminar 4 : Food safety authority : its role and objectives</p> <p>Demonstration of approach to control microbiological food safety in</p> <p>Guided exercises : case studies to be checked in legal documents – use of search tools</p> <p>Discussion on self-study exercises food additives (obligation to be present)</p>	<p>Invited speaker : Vera Cantaert Belgian Food Safety Authority (FAVV)</p> <p>LJ</p>

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11 7/5	BRUSSELS!! With train in Gent Sint Pieters station	<p>Seminar 5: Risk management in microbiological hazards – EU risk management in food hygiene</p> <p>(obligation to be present)</p> <p>Brussels day: (by train) : 17h-18h30 : FEVIA offices and lecture EU Commission DG Health and Food Safety</p> <p>18h30-19h30: guided tour in around EU buildings with explanation on the function of EU → hour of meeting at Gent Sint Pieters station : to be decided but approx. 4pm</p>	<p>Invited speaker : DG Health and Food Safety</p> <p>(LJ/JH)</p>
12 14/5	Auditorium E4, building E, Campus Coupure	No lecture anymore	

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Colour indications:

Xxx : seminar/guided exercises : presence obligatory

Xxx : case study

Xxx : microteaching

Xxx : on campus lectures

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Case study for food regulation

Own case study:

- groups of 2 students** : groups are assigned by lecturer (if possible we try to mix up between Belgian and non Belgian student, to enhance the international component of Food regulation).
- Students need to select a legal food related issue (e.g. in their home country) which could be into their own interest to work on → **students are selecting an own topic and propose this to professors and which role/perspective to fulfill per student (be creative!) : (send e-mail to prof. Liesbeth Jacxsens)**
- This legal issue need to be discussed :
 - towards presence/absence of legal documents, link towards international framework
 - a critical view of effectiveness to govern the quality/safety/nutritional status of the food (evaluation and discussion) from the perspective of the **risk manager (as Public Health ministry, food safety authority, government, association)** and from the perspective of a **food system actor (as food industry, retail, agricultural level, consumer organisation)** → principle of multi-perspectivisme (one student is choosing for one role)
- In this case study, students should apply relevant legal documents by use of platforms, search engines and interpret these through knowledge gained during the lectures.
- Report of 5-7 pages according to the principles, explained on the Galileo platform (written in English) with different parts:
 - Introduction (problem statement)
 - Related legal documents and what is stated related to the topic
 - Critical evaluation and discussion from perspective of risk manager (student 1)
 - Critical evaluation and discussion from perspective of food system actor (student 2)
 - Conclusion
 - References
- Presentation (10 min) as microteaching is foreseen with a discussion (approx. 10-15 min).