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COUNCIL DECISION

of 17 November 2025

appointing four representatives of Member States as members of the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority

(C/2025/6352)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety ([1]), and in particular Article 25(1) thereof,

Having regard to the nominations submitted by Belgium, Denmark, Estonia and Sweden to the Council,

Whereas:

(1) It is vital to ensure the independence, high scientific standards, transparency and efficiency of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA). It is also indispensable to ensure the cooperation of EFSA with Member States.

(2) Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 requires that each Member State nominate a member and an alternate member as its representatives to the EFSA Management Board. The members and alternate members thus nominated are to be appointed by the Council for a term of 4 years, which may be renewed, and have the right to vote.

(3) The Council, by means of its Decision of 7 April 2022 ([2]), appointed representatives of the Member States as members and alternate members of the EFSA Management Board for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2026.

(4) By letter dated 22 April 2025, EFSA was informed that Mr Tejs BINDERUP, the member for Denmark, resigned.

(5) By letter dated 6 May 2025, EFSA was informed that Mr Hendrik KUUSK, the member for Estonia, resigned.

(6) By letter dated 6 May 2025, EFSA was informed that Ms Annica SOHLSTRÖM, the member for Sweden, resigned.

(7) By letter dated 14 July 2025, EFSA was informed that Mr Herman DIRICKS, the member for Belgium, retired.

(8) Four new representatives should therefore be appointed to serve for the remainder of their respective predecessor's term of office.

(9) The representatives that have been nominated by Belgium, Denmark, Estonia and Sweden have relevant and extensive experience and expertise in the field of food chain law and policy, including risk assessment, and also in the fields of managerial, administrative, financial and legal matters. Their appointment therefore secures within the EFSA Management Board the highest standards of competence and the broadest range of relevant experience available,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following persons are hereby appointed as members of the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority until 30 June 2026:

— Ms Christine ROMEYNS (Belgium),

— Ms Cecilie SOLSTAD (Denmark),

— Ms Triin KÕRGMAA (Estonia),

— Ms Christina NORDIN (Sweden).

([1]) OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2002/178/oj.
([2]) Council Decision of 7 April 2022 appointing representatives of Member States as members and alternate members of the Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority (OJ C 159, 12.4.2022, p. 6).

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 17 November 2025.

For the Council
The President
J. JENSEN