First Meeting of the Management Committee
Cost Action 927 “Thermally processed foods: possible health implications

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PRESENT

Wagner Karl-Heinz (A)
De Kimpe Norbert (B)
Escher Felix (CH)
Michael Costas (CY)
Somoza Veronika (D)
Farre Rovira Rosaura (E)
Morales Francisco Jose (E)
Birlouez Ines (F)
Genot Claude (F)
Piironen Vieno (FIN)
Ames Jennifer (GB)
Tasioula-Margari Maria (GR)
Molnar Jozsef (H)
Fogliano Vincenzo (I)
Shimoni Eyal (IL)
Knutsen Svein Halvor (N)
Vegarud Gerd Elisabeth (N)
Nunes Fernando (P)
Kozlowska Halina (PL)
Orzechowski Arkadiusz (PL)
Cioroi Maria (RO)
Abram Veronika (SI)
Ciesarova Zuzana (SK)
Sebekova Katarina (SK)
Ölmez Holya (TR)
Stol Bouktje COST Office
Peeters Christophe COST Office
1  WELCOME
The action secretary, Bouktje Stol, chaired the meeting and welcomed all the participants on behalf of COST.

2  ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
The agenda was adopted unanimously.

3  PRESENTATION OF THE DELEGATIONS
All delegates introduced themselves and gave a brief resume of their research interests and activities.

4  GENERAL INFORMATION ON COST MECHANISM AND ON THE FUNDING OF COORDINATION
Bouktje Stol gave an illustrated talk on this subject and answered questions. General information and the COST ppt.presentation can be found on the COST website: http://cost.cordis.lu

5  STATUS OF COST ACTION 927
Bouktje Stol indicated that the action officially started at this meeting. The countries which have signed the memorandum of understanding are at the moment: Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom.

6  AGREEMENT ON THE INTERNAL RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF COST 927 (COST document 400/01 Annex II)
The rules were accepted unanimously with the following amendments:
Art. 7: for in principle the duration of the action
Art. 8: “one half” in stead of “two third”
Art. 9: at least once per year

7  ELECTION OF THE CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON
Vincenzo Fogliano was unanimously elected chairman and Veronika Somoza was unanimously elected vice-chairman. Vincenzo Fogliano then took the chair.
8 WORKING PLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COST ACTION 927

Vincenzo gave a brief explanation on the action and the working groups followed by discussion.

It was decided to set-up a website which will be updated by Morales Francisco.

The following WG leaders were chosen:
WG 1: Morales Francisco
WG 2: Simonetta Silvini
WG 3: Shimoni Eyal
WG 4: Wagner Karl-Heinz
WG 5: Sebekova Katarina

2 STMS were approved:
1) Maria Cioroi from University of Galati (RO) to University of Reading (UK) 24/5-18/6
2) Rita Pernis from University of Naples (IT) to the German Research Centre for Food Chemistry in Garching (DE) 1/9-30/9
For evaluating STSMs an executive committee is responsible: Jennifer Ames, Veronika Abram and Ines Birlouez.

To enhance cooperation with the companies/industry, participants are requested to check in his/her homecountry for possible contacts.

9 PLACE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING
The next MC meeting will be held in Prague on 1 and 2 October 2004. Jan Velisek will be the local organiser.

10 MISCELLANEOUS
There was no other business.