





Challenges and opportunity in the Fish diseases training: EU and BTSF activities

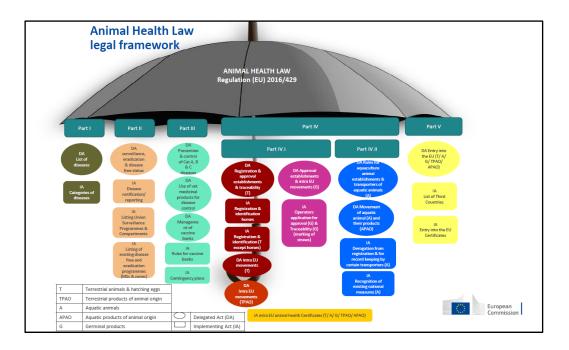
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- What is BTSF?
- Better Training for Safer Food (BTSF) is a European Commission training initiative to improve the knowledge and implementation of EU rules covering food safety, plant, animal and One Health.







What are the BTSF main objectives?

- Maintaining a high level of consumer protection and food safety, plant, animal and One Health.
- Promoting a harmonised approach to the operation of Union and national control systems.
- Creating a level playing field for all food business operators.
- Enhancing trade of safe food, animals and plants, and their products.
- Ensuring fair trade with third countries and in particular developing countries.







- Training is usually organised by external contractors who design and deliver the courses using subject matter experts in close cooperation with DG SANTE technical units and deliver it through:
- Workshops: a group of participants (usually not more than 30) from several countries meet in one location to receive training and take part in practical exercises and group discussions.
- **Sustained training missions** (STMs): a group of participants (10-15) from one, or a regional grouping of countries, receive training on a specific subject delivered by one or two subject matter experts.
- **eLearning** in BTSF ACADEMY: individuals take part in self-paced on-line learning including self-assessment exercises throughout the course.



- Who can participate in BTSF training?
- BTSF EU: training is designed for staff of competent authorities in Member States involved in official control activities to keep them up to date with all aspects of Union law in the areas specified above and to ensure that controls are carried out in a uniform, objective and satisfactory manner.
- BTSF non EU: it is also essential that non-EU countries, and in particular developing countries, are familiar with EU import requirements and, where it exists, can avail of EU support.
- They address **three world regions**: Africa and the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) countries; South and Central America and the Caribbean; and Asia and the Pacific.



- The BTSF ACADEMY Library consists of a collection of learning materials produced during the implementation of the training activities within the BTSF Initiative. These can be found in the individual thematic course folders accessible from the home page and typically contain video recordings of the training sessions, presentations, documents, links to external resources, etc.
- The purpose of the BTSF ACADEMY Library is **to assist officials** to further disseminate the accumulated knowledge and learning materials developed for over 120 thematic courses in the BTSF initiative.



- BTSF <u>National Contact Points</u> coordinate BTSF participation and liaise with the Commission services and contractors. They are designated for EU Member States, enlargement and neighbourhood countries, and some non-EU countries.
- The European Commission sets the policy and strategy for BTSF including the BTSF ACADEMY and monitors its implementation.
- At the moment are available more than 40 trainings





Better Training for Safer Food – BTSF.....main topics



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BTSF.....not only food safety but also animal health

Animal health law





The overall objectives of the **BTSF** Training Programme/Course on **Animal Health Law** are:

- ★ the prioritisation and categorisation of listed diseases and listed animals;
- ★ the responsibilities for animal health;
- ✓ the <u>early detection</u>, <u>notification and reporting of diseases</u>, surveillance, eradication programmes and disease–free status;
- ✓ disease awareness, preparedness and control;
- ★ the registration and approval of establishments and transporters, movements and traceability of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin within the Union;
- ✓ the entry of animals, germinal products and products of animal origin into the Union and the export of such consingments from the Union;
- ✓ non-commercial movements of pet animals in a Member State from another Member State or from a third country or territory;
- ✓ the emergency measures to be taken in the event of a disease emergency situation.



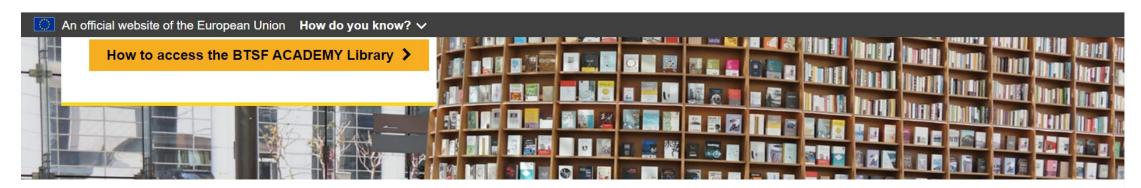
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TSF2_P2	06/11/2023	10/11/2023	Bucharest	Romania
TSF3_P2	04/12/2023	08/12/2023	Venice	Italy
TSF4_P2	22/01/2024	26/01/2024	Venice	Italy
TSF5_P2	26/02/2024	01/03/2024	Bucharest	Romania
TSF6_P2	08/04/2024	12/04/2024	Riga	Latvia
TSF7_P2	27/05/2024	31/05/2024	Bucharest	Romania
TSF8_P2	30/09/2024	04/10/2024	Riga	Latvia
TSF9_P2	04/11/2024	08/11/2024	Venice	Italy
TSF10_P2	09/12/2024	13/12/2024	Venice	Italy

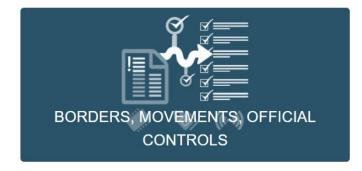
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Any questions? Thanks



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