

COMMISSION DECISION

of 30 November 2009

as regards a Community financial contribution for the year 2010, to certain Community reference laboratories in the feed and food control area

(notified under document C(2009) 9343)

(Only the Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Italian, Spanish and Swedish texts are authentic)

(2009/863/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 32(7) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Community reference laboratories in the food and feed control area may be granted a Community financial contribution in accordance with Article 28 of Council Decision 2009/470/EC of 25 May 2009 on expenditure in the veterinary field ⁽²⁾.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1754/2006 of 28 November 2006 laying down detailed rules for the granting of Community financial assistance to Community reference laboratories for feed and food and the animal health sector ⁽³⁾ provides that the financial contribution from the Community is to be granted if the approved work programmes are efficiently carried out and that the beneficiaries supply all the necessary information within certain time limits.
- (3) In accordance with Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 1754/2006 the relationship between the Commission and each Community reference laboratory is laid down in a partnership agreement which is supported by a multiannual work programme.
- (4) The Commission has assessed the work programmes and corresponding budget estimates submitted by the Community reference laboratories for the year 2010.
- (5) Accordingly, a Community financial contribution should be granted to the Community reference laboratories designated in order to co-finance their activities to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Regulation (EC) No 882/2004. The Community's financial contribution should be at the rate of 100 % of eligible costs as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1754/2006.
- (6) Regulation (EC) No 1754/2006 lays down eligibility rules for the workshops organised by the Community reference laboratories. It also limits the financial assistance to a maximum of 32 participants in workshops. Derogations to that limitation should be provided in accordance with Article 13(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1754/2006 to some Community reference laboratory that needs support for attendance by more than 32 participants in order to achieve the best outcome of its workshops. Derogations can be obtained in case a Community Reference Laboratory takes the leadership and responsibility when organising a workshop with another Community Reference Laboratory.
- (7) In accordance with Article 3(2)(a) of Council Regulation (EC) No 1290/2005 of 21 June 2005 on the financing of the common agricultural policy ⁽⁴⁾, animal disease eradication and control programmes (veterinary measures) shall be financed from the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF). Furthermore, Article 13, second paragraph of that Regulation foresees that in duly justified exceptional cases, for measures and programmes covered by Council Decision 90/424/EEC of 26 June 1990 on expenditure in the veterinary field ⁽⁵⁾, expenditure relating to administrative and personnel costs incurred by Member States and beneficiaries of aid from the EAGF shall be borne by the Fund. For financial control purposes, Articles 9, 36 and 37 of Regulation (EC) No 1290/2005 are to apply.
- (8) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 155, 18.6.2009, p. 30.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 331, 29.11.2006, p. 8.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 209, 11.8.2005, p. 1.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 224, 18.8.1990, p. 19.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. The Community grants financial aid to the Laboratoire d'Études et de Recherches sur la Qualité des Aliments et sur les Procédés Agroalimentaires (Lerqap), of the Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments (AFSSA), Maisons-Alfort, France, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of milk and milk products.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial aid shall not exceed EUR 302 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial aid to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That aid shall not exceed EUR 23 000.

Article 2

1. The Community grants financial aid to the Rijksinstituut voor Volksgezondheid en Milieu (RIVM), Bilthoven, the Netherlands, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of zoonoses (salmonella).

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial aid shall not exceed EUR 354 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial aid to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That aid shall not exceed EUR 30 000.

Article 3

1. The Community grants financial aid to the Laboratorio de Biotoxinas Marinas, Agencia Española de Seguridad Alimentaria (Ministerio de Sanidad y Consumo), Vigo, Spain, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the monitoring of marine biotoxins.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial aid shall not exceed EUR 260 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial aid to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That aid shall not exceed EUR 25 000.

Article 4

1. The Community grants financial aid to the laboratory of the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science, Weymouth, United Kingdom, to carry out the functions and

duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the monitoring of viral and bacteriological contamination of bivalve molluscs.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial aid shall not exceed EUR 265 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial aid to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That aid shall not exceed EUR 35 000.

Article 5

1. The Community grants a financial contribution to the Laboratoire d'Études et de Recherches sur la Qualité des Aliments et sur les Procédés Agroalimentaires (Lerqap), of the Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments (AFSSA), Maisons-Alfort, France, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of *Listeria monocytogenes*.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 309 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 22 500.

Article 6

1. The Community grants financial aid to the Laboratoire d'Études et de Recherches sur la Qualité des Aliments et sur les Procédés Agroalimentaires (Lerqap), of the Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments (AFSSA), Maisons-Alfort, France, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of Coagulase positive *Staphylococci*, including *Staphylococcus aureus*.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 291 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 22 500.

Article 7

1. The Community grants financial contribution to the Istituto Superiore di Sanità (ISS), Rome, Italy, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of *Escherichia coli*, including Verotoxigenic *E. Coli* (VTEC).

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 250 381.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 20 000.

Article 8

1. The Community grants financial contribution to the Statens Veterinärmedicinska Anstalt (SVA), Uppsala, Sweden, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the monitoring of *Campylobacter*.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 275 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 30 000.

Article 9

1. The Community grants financial contribution to the Istituto Superiore di Sanità (ISS), Rome, Italy, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, in respect of analysis and testing of parasites (in particular *Trichinella*, *Echinococcus* and *Anisakis*).

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 312 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 30 000.

Article 10

1. The Community grants financial contribution to the Fødevareinstituttet, Danmarks Tekniske Universitet (DTU), Copenhagen, Denmark, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the monitoring of antimicrobial resistance.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 370 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 27 000.

Article 11

1. The Community grants financial contribution to the Centre Wallon de Recherches agronomiques (CRA-W), Gembloux, Belgium, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of animal proteins in feedingstuffs.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 525 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 30 000.

Article 12

1. The Community grants financial aid to the Rijksinstituut voor Volksgezondheid en Milieuhygiëne (RIVM), Bilthoven, the Netherlands, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for residues of certain substances listed in Annex I to Council Directive 96/23/EC⁽¹⁾ and referred to by Annex VII, Section I, point 12(a) to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial aid shall not exceed EUR 450 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial aid to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That aid shall not exceed EUR 25 000.

Article 13

1. The Community grants financial aid to the Laboratoire d'Études et de Recherches sur les Médicaments Vétérinaires et les Désinfectants de L'Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments, Fougères, France, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for residues of certain substances listed in Annex I to Directive 96/23/EC and referred to by Annex VII, Section I, point 12(a) to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial aid shall not exceed EUR 450 000.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 125, 23.5.1996, p. 10.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial aid to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That aid shall not exceed EUR 25 000.

Article 14

1. The Community grants financial aid to the Bundesamt für Verbraucherschutz und Lebensmittelsicherheit (BVL), Berlin, Germany, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for residues of certain substances listed in Annex I to Directive 96/23/EC and referred to by Annex VII, Section I, point 12(a) to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial aid shall not exceed EUR 450 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial aid to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That aid shall not exceed EUR 25 000.

Article 15

1. The Community grants financial aid to the Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Rome, Italy, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for residues of certain substances listed in Annex I to Directive 96/23/EC and referred to by Annex VII, Section I, point 12(a) to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial aid shall not exceed EUR 275 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial aid to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That aid shall not exceed EUR 25 000.

Article 16

1. The Community grants financial contribution to the Chemisches und Veterinäruntersuchungsamt (CVUA) Freiburg, Germany, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of residues of pesticides in food of animal origin and commodities with high fat content.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 198 900.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial aid to the

laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That aid shall not exceed EUR 25 000.

Article 17

1. The Community grants financial contribution to the Fødevarestyrelsen, Danmarks Tekniske Universitet (DTU), Copenhagen, Denmark, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of residues of pesticides in cereals and feedingstuffs.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 198 900.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 25 000.

Article 18

1. The Community grants financial contribution to the Laboratorio Agrario de la Generalitat Valenciana (LAGV)/Grupo de Residuos de Plaguicidas de la Universidad de Almería (PRRG), Spain to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of residues of pesticides in fruits and vegetables, including commodities with high water and high acid content.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 445 840.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 45 000.

By way of derogation from Article 13(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1754/2006, the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 shall be entitled to claim financial assistance for attendance by a maximum of 50 participants at one of its workshops referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article as it will organise a joint workshop.

Article 19

The Community grants financial contribution to the Chemisches und Veterinäruntersuchungsamt (CVUA) Stuttgart, Germany, to carry out the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of residues of pesticides by single residue methods.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 352 000.

Article 20

1. The Community grants financial contribution to the Chemisches und Veterinäruntersuchungsamt (CVUA) Freiburg, Germany, to carry out by the functions and duties provided for in Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, for the analysis and testing of dioxins and PCBs in feed and food.

For the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, that financial contribution shall not exceed EUR 432 000.

2. In addition to the maximum amount provided for in paragraph 1, the Community grants financial contribution to the laboratory referred to in paragraph 1 for the organisation of workshops. That contribution shall not exceed EUR 55 410.

Article 21

The Community's financial contribution referred to in Articles 1 to 21 shall be at the rate of 100 % of eligible costs as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1754/2006.

Article 22

This Decision is addressed to the:

— for milk and milk products: Laboratoire d'Études et de Recherches sur la Qualité des Aliments et sur les Procédés Agroalimentaires (Lerqap), of the Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments (AFSSA), 23 avenue du Général de Gaulle, 94700 Maisons-Alfort, France,

— for the analysis and testing of zoonoses (salmonella): Rijksinstituut voor Volksgezondheid en Milieu (RIVM), Postbus 1, Anthony van Leeuwenhoeklaan 9, 3720 BA Bilthoven, The Netherlands,

— for the monitoring of marine biotoxins: Laboratorio de Biotoxinas Marinas, Agencia Española de Seguridad Alimentaria (Ministerio de Sanidad y Consumo), Estacion Maritima, s/n, 36200 Vigo, Spain,

— for monitoring the viral and bacteriological contamination of bivalve molluscs: Laboratory of the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science (CEFAS), Weymouth laboratory, Barrack Road, The Nothe, Weymouth, Dorset, DT4 8UB, United Kingdom,

— for *Listeria monocytogenes*: Laboratoire d'Études et de Recherches sur la Qualité des Aliments et sur les Procédés Agroalimentaires (Lerqap), of the Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments (AFSSA), 23 avenue du Général de Gaulle, 94700 Maisons-Alfort, France,

— for coagulase positive *Staphylococci*, including *Staphylococcus aureus*: Laboratoire d'Études et de Recherches sur la Qualité des Aliments et sur les Procédés Agroalimentaires (Lerqap), of the Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments (AFSSA), 23 avenue du Général de Gaulle, 94700 Maisons-Alfort, France,

— for *Escherichia coli*, including *Verotoxigenic E. Coli* (VTEC): Istituto Superiore di Sanità (ISS), Viale Regina Elena 299, 00161 Roma, Italy,

— for *Campylobacter*: Statens Veterinärmedicinska Anstalt (SVA), Ulls väg 2 B, 751 89 Uppsala, Sweden,

— for parasites (in particular *Trichinella*, *Echinococcus* and *Anisakis*): Istituto Superiore di Sanità (ISS), Viale Regina Elena 299, 00161 Roma, Italy,

— for antimicrobial resistance: Fødevareinstituttet, Danmarks Tekniske Universitet (DTU), Bülowsvej 27, 1790 Copenhagen V, Denmark,

— for animal proteins in feedingstuffs: Centre Wallon de Recherches agronomiques (CRA-W), Chaussée de Namur 24, 5030 Gembloux, Belgium,

— for residues: Rijksinstituut voor Volksgezondheid en Milieu (RIVM), Postbus 1, Anthony van Leeuwenhoeklaan 9, 3720 BA Bilthoven, The Netherlands,

— for residues: Laboratoire d'Études et de Recherches sur les Médicaments Vétérinaires et les Désinfectants de L'Agence Française de Sécurité Sanitaire des Aliments (AFSSA), Site de Fougères, BP 90203, 35302 Fougères, France,

— for residues: Bundesamt für Verbraucherschutz und Lebensmittelsicherheit, Postfach 100214, Mauerstraße 39-42, 10562 Berlin, Germany,

— for residues: Istituto Superiore di Sanità (ISS), Viale Regina Elena 299, 00161 Roma, Italy,

— for the analysis and testing of residues of pesticides in food of animal origin: Chemisches und Veterinäruntersuchungsamt (CVUA), Postfach 100462, Bissierstraße 5, 79114 Freiburg, Germany,

— for the analysis and testing of residues of pesticides in cereals: Fødevareinstituttet, Danmarks Tekniske Universitet (DTU), Department of Food Chemistry, Moerkhoej Bygade 19, 2860 Soeborg, Denmark,

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- for the analysis and testing of residues of pesticides in fruits and vegetables: Laboratorio Agrario de la Generalitat Valenciana (LAGV)/Grupo de Residuos de Plaguicidas de la Universidad de Almería (PRRG), Ctra. Sacramento s/n, La Canada de San Urbano, 04120 Almeria, Spain,
- for the analysis and testing of dioxins and PCBs in feed and food: Chemisches und Veterinäruntersuchungsamt (CVUA), Postfach 100462, Bissierstraße 5, 79114 Freiburg, Germany.
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