

## QUALITY POLICY

### **Non-exhaustive list of issues and questions to facilitate preparations for bilateral meetings**

#### **I. Designations of origin and geographical indications**

1. In your country, is there a system for protecting designations of origin or geographical indications comparable to the system introduced by Regulation (EEC) 2081/92?

(in case of positive answer:)

2. Is this system based on case law? Does an individual have the right to obtain a judgement forbidding other individuals to use a certain geographical name? Does any trademark include a geographical designation?

3. Is this system based on State-granted protection of designations of origin and/or geographical indications? Which is (are) the competent authority(ies) responsible for registration and protection? Is there a register? In this case, what is the procedure of registration? Does the product have to comply with specifications? Please describe succinctly the requirements for specifications. Please describe the scope of the register (which products are covered?)

4. Who is entitled to apply for protection (e.g. group of producers / individual producer)? Once a name is registered, is any producer located in the delimited geographical area and producing products complying with the specifications entitled to use the name?

5. Is there an inspection system in force? Is this system based on public inspection services or on private inspection bodies?

5. Which is the extent of the protection?

6. Please provide a list of names already protected (or in the process of being protected) at national level. Can they be in conflict with one/some of the names already registered under Council Regulation (EEC) n° 2081/92? Are there any homonyms?

7. Do you have bilateral/multilateral agreements with other States on this issue? Please provide a list.

## **II. Traditional specialities guaranteed**

1. In your country, is there a system to protect traditional specialities, comparable to the system introduced by Reg. 2082/92?

3. If the reply to question 1 is no, are there products for which you would consider protection under this regulation as useful?

## **III. National quality schemes**

1. In your country, are there national quality labels (granted by a public authority) concerning agricultural products and foodstuffs? Please provide a list.

2. Which are the criteria for their grant?

3. Are they open to any producer who engages to fulfil the requirements?

4. Is there an inspection system in force? Is this system based on public inspection services or on private inspection bodies?