**FRUCOM DRIED FRUIT AND NUTS WORKING GROUP**

**Date 8 Oct, 16.30-18.30**

**Online meeting**

**AGENDA**

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|  | **Agenda items** | **Speakers** |
| 16.30-17.00 | * FRUCOM [communication on nutrition benefits](https://www.frucom.eu/news/8-news/44-benefits-of-consuming-nuts-and-dried-fruit.html)  and future actions
 | Jennette Higgs, Registered Nutritionist and Dietitian, [Food To Fit Ltd.](https://www.foodtofit.com/) Maria Zezilia Aguirre, Marketing expert |
| 17.00-17.10 | * Role and functioning of the European Food Information Council, with focus on nutrition benefits communication, opportunities of co-cooperation with FRUCOM
 | Raymond Gemen, Senior Manager – Food and Health Science Eufic - European Food Information Council |
| 17.10-17.40 | **Organic:*** New Regulation on organic farming & adoption of additional rules regarding trade and official controls (delegated and implementing acts)
* New organic action plan
* Phosphonic acid in organic products
* Guidelines on increased controls
 | Daria Hawat, Policy Officer, Unit B4 – Organics, DG AGRI, The European Commission. |
| 17.40-18.10 | **Trade and customs matters:*** EU-US trade relations
* Update on trade negotiations (EU-Australia; EU-Mercosur)
* Brexit
 | FRUCOM secretariatLenka Fortova, Unit D1 – the USA and Canada, DG TRADE, the European Commission  |
| 18.10-18.30 | **Mycotoxins:*** Follow up actions from FRUCOM workshop

**Pesticides:*** FRUCOM research project on pesticides: global conclusions
* Update on individual substances
* Political issues: cut-off criteria & transition periods

**Food additives:*** Sorbates
* Sulphites

**Contaminants and import controls:*** Update on various contaminants
 | FRUCOM secretariat |

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