

BREXIT Regulatory Research Group (BRRG)

Purpose

To ensure public health regulation is proportionately undertaken using best available resources in UK following BREXIT

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Who are the BRRG:

A task and finish group facilitated by the CIEH

Current focus a review of controls applied imports and exports of products of animal origin arriving from the EU and the RoW to ensure public health and animal health is protected using suitable highly skilled professionals



Potential Benefits to UK Business

The timing for a constructive review could not be better and could ensure both UK and EU based models can be aligned for the benefit of industry and the general public of both communities.

Mission

- To seek to align EU regulatory professionals (OV's) with UK regulatory professionals (EHO's)
- To resolve capacity shortfalls for OCR controls and prevent industry disruption post BREXIT
- To bolster existing OV capacity using Public Health expertise and unlock export certification resources
- To ensure the food safety workforce in the UK is used to best effect and explore efficiencies for the public sector to minimize costs
- To assist in building an evidence base for negotiating a new Veterinary Agreement with the EU if possible



The Current Picture

Impact of BREXIT and COVID is driving general workforce shortages is now manifest as witnessed by supply chain disruption, inflation and relocation of businesses to EU. Workforce shortages are also common to public health professionals due to demand

Compounding Factors for the Food Sector

1. At present UK food business are subject to sps checks at EU BCP's
2. No reciprocal model in place in UK for EU originating goods at present
3. EU professionals being recruited to the UK causing shortages for exports in EU

Golden Opportunity now exists to recalibrate the UK model as SPS controls have been delayed until July 2022



Thank you for Listening

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