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Subject: Postponement of the 2025-Proficiency test dedicated to enumeration of coagulase positive staphylococci in shrimps according to EN ISO 6888-1 and/or 6888-2

Dear Colleagues,

We would like to inform you that the 2025 Proficiency Test (PT) on CPS enumeration **LSAI\_2025\_04\_EURL\_CPS enumeration in cheese (mozzarella)**, initially scheduled on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025 must be **unfortunately postponed**.

This decision has been made due to the temporary unavailability of key human resources required to prepare samples and tests under the required quality and technical standards: **EN ISO 6888, EN ISO 7218 and EN ISO 17043**.

We apologize for any inconvenience this postponement may cause and appreciate your understanding and continued cooperation. Further details regarding the revised schedule will be communicated in due time.

Please note that the next PT dedicated to the enumeration of CPS is expected to be organized on September 2025.

Further details regarding the revised schedule will be communicated in due course.

With best regards,

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