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Dear Colleagues,

We are delighted to invite you to attend the 18<sup>th</sup> workshop of the European Union reference Laboratory (EURL) and National Reference Laboratories (NRLs) for Milk and Milk Products. This year the workshop will be of general scope covering both areas of work (hygiene of raw milk and markers of heat treatment, in particular alkaline phosphatase).

The workshop will include a review of the actions undertaken by the EURL since the last year workshop of general scope (1-3 October 2014), the follow up to be given, as well as the main outlines of programme of work for the year 2016 and 2017.

The meeting will be held at **ANSES in Maisons-Alfort** from **Wednesday 7 October (beginning at 13:15) until Friday 9 October 2015 (ending at 13:30)**.

Please note that, only one participant per EU Member State can be funded by EC through us. More than one person per Member State can attend, but at its own costs. For Member states having more than 1 NRL, the NRLs have to coordinate themselves to decide which will be covered by us.

We organise a convivial dinner in the **Restaurant “Les Noces de Jeannette” near the covered walkways of Paris on Thursday 8 October evening**. This moment is important because it will be a rich time for informal exchanges. The price of the evening is **39,00 €**. This amount will be collected during the registration of the workshop for non-eligible participants. For eligible participants, this amount will be deducted from your daily allowances. Eligible or not, we kindly ask you to prepare 1 metro ticket to go to Paris.



Kindly register [online](#) to the workshop by **Friday 21 August 2015** even if you cannot attend the workshop (Validation code: MILK). Please take the opportunity of the online form to propose any topic you wish to be risen or you wish to present (talk and/or poster). Once registered, you will receive an email with the instructions related to hotel booking and reimbursement procedure. We may inform eligible participants that only 2 nights (7 and 8 October) are eligible if you don't apply for an extension of stay according to the reimbursement procedure.

We wish you a good receipt and stay at your disposal for any further information you may require.

With best regards,

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