12th MARS Group meeting
23 – 25 April 2014
Belgrade, Republic of Serbia

23 April 2014 – Wednesday

Meeting of the Bureau

10.00-10.25 Individual arrival to the Ministry of Foreign and Internal Trade and Telecommunication of the Republic of Serbia: Nemanjina 22-26

10.30-12.00 Preparatory meeting of the Bureau Members of the MARS Group and the other organizers

12.30 Lunch

Individual arrival of other participants to the Venue

13.30 Registration

14.00 - 14.45 Official opening of the 12th MARS-meeting

Welcome addresses:

14.00-14.15 Representative of the Ministry Ministry of Foreign and Internal Trade and Telecommunication

Introductory word

14.15-14.30 Dr. Marion Stoldt, Chairman of WP.6 (confirmed)
14.30-14.45 Mrs. Kvetoslava Steinlová, MARS Group Chairperson (to be confirmed)

14.45-15.15 Round table

15.15 – 15.30 Information and plans, follow-up of the WP.6 and MARS
Dr Marion Stoldt, Chairman of WP.6 , Mrs. Lorenza Jacchia

15.30 – 16.30 Product Safety and Market Surveillance Package follow up
Presentation by ............., European Commission (to be confirmed)
Presentation by participants of member States, member of the Council negotiation group (any volunteers?).
16.30 – 16.45 Coffee Break

16:45. – 17.30 Use of risk assessment in market surveillance actions in the non-food area (at least 2 different presentations – the best composition will be 2 different product areas – for consumer and professional use + 2 kind of different situation – how it is used by market surveillance authority in the country with very strong compulsory pre-market controls and how it is used by market surveillance authority in the country with the control mostly made on the market).

Presentation by seeking for volunteers

17.30. – 18.00 Cooperation between Market surveillance authorities (including the customs)

Presentation by seeking for volunteers

Discussion, comments and exchange of views

18.00-18.30 Update on the general model on market surveillance / Generic Market Surveillance Procedure

Ivan Hendrikx, convener of the Generic MS Model initiative.

19.30 Official dinner

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9.30.-10.00. Registration

10.00-11.00. Forum on Market Surveillance authorities of Serbia and South East Europe

1) Presentation on Market surveillance in the Republic of Serbia
2) Presentation on Market surveillance in
3) Presentation on Market surveillance in
4) Regional coo-operation

-Cooperation in Market Surveillance in South East Europe and Summary of Progress since 2011- David Norris, Team Leader, Quality Infrastructure in the Western Balkans and Turkey

- Network of MSA in the SEE

Susann Hartmann and Jasmin Valjevac, Open Regional Fund for Southeast Europe - Foreign Trade Promotion - Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

11.00-11.30. Coordination of Market Surveillance in Sweden

Amina Makboul, Market Surveillance coordinator, SWEDAC

11.30-11.45 Coffee Break

11.45-12.40 Challenges for Market surveillance authorities coming from
a) New regulatory development,
   Mr. Paul Walker, senior market surveillance advisor, UK
b) Strengthened role of technical specifications in the EU legislation
c) New approach directives aligned with NLF
d) Counterfeit products, Michael Poulsen and Kenneth Wright, Danish Patent and Trademark Office

12.40-13.00  Best Practice Guidelines in Market Surveillance

13.00-14.15  Lunch

14.15-14.40  The regulatory dimension of TTIP-challenges and possible outcomes
             Heidi Lund, Senior Advisor, National Board of Trade, Sweden

14.40-15.15  Regulatory convergence – demanding tasks for Market surveillance
             authority (taking into account the TTIP and flexible OECD approach related to the IRC)  
             http://ec.europa.eu/trade/policy/in-focus/ttip/ Steinlova 
             (to be conformed)

15.15-15.45  Experience from mutual recognition of the accredited CABs results, included
             those supported by the international (regional) voluntary schemes

15.45-16.00  Coffee Break

16.00-16.20  Further ADCO Best Practice
             Steinlova (to be conformed)

16.20-16.45  The hidden costs of counterfeit products  Discussion, comments and exchange of views

25 April 2014 – Friday

10.00-11.00  Conclusions

11.00-15.00  Social Event, Belgrade

15.00  Departure of participants