

## Support to Moldova in the Field of Norms and Standards in Food Safety for Plant Origin Products

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**EaP countries:**  
Moldova

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**Implementing organisation(s):**  
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**Project website:**

### Project description:

The Project is funded by the European Union and is implemented by a consortium composed of the Food and Environment Research Agency (Fera) from the UK and the State Food and Veterinary Service (SFVS), of Lithuania. Its aim is to support the development of agricultural and food sectors of Moldova in compliance with EU and international rules and to support the ability of these sectors to participate in international trade.

The beneficiary institutions of this project are the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry (MAFI) and the National Food Safety Agency (NFSA) of the Republic of Moldova.

### Expected results:

- To define and approve the precise role and remit and on that basis the strategic objectives of the NFSA in food safety and plant health.
- To optimize for efficient and effective functioning the legislative framework and institutional structure of the NFSA (including the channels of communication).
- To improve the effectiveness of the national pesticide MRL monitoring programme through an appropriate prioritized and fact-(data) and risk-based regulatory and enforcement programme.
- To improve responsible and safe pesticide use through a proactive and preventive regulatory and enforcement approach.
- To concentrate on an institutional assessment and strategy development of the former General Inspectorate for Phytosanitary Supervision and Seeds Control (GIPSSC) and following the project extension focuses on defining and formalising accreditation to ISO 17020 standards for key functions of the NFSA inspectorate.
- To focus on the operational procedures and staff resources of the GIPSSC and then the NFSA, the regulatory framework under which they work, and their needs in terms of facilities, equipment and IT. Also to concentrate on the optimization of the legislative framework and institutional structure of the NFSA (including the channels of communication) for efficient and effective functioning.