



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

Deputy Director-General

Brussels  
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Your Excellency,

**Subject: Call for selection and designation of five European Union Reference Laboratories for plant pests**

I am pleased to inform you that, with this letter, the Directorate General for Health and Food Safety is formally launching the call for selection of five European Union Reference Laboratories (EURLs) for pests of plants.

I would be grateful if you could forward the attached supporting documents to all relevant authorities in your country. I would like to draw your attention to the fact that applications must be submitted by the National Competent Authorities and must adhere to all the requirements stipulated in the supporting documents, including the deadline for submission of applications.

I look forward to receiving applications from candidate EURL(s) in your country.

If you require any further information, please contact the following e-mail address: [SANTE-G1-PLANT-HEALTH@ec.europa.eu](mailto:SANTE-G1-PLANT-HEALTH@ec.europa.eu) mentioning the subject as indicated above.

Yours faithfully,

Celine Gauer

Annexes:

- Annex I – Practical instructions
- Annex II – Terms of Reference
- Document 2 – Entrust
- Document 7A – Simplified presentation viability-checks
- Document 7B – Criteria for economic and financial capacity

By email to: Permanent Representations of all EU Member States  
Chief Officers for Plant Health of all EU Member States