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Dear colleague,

RIKILT Wageningen University & Research is planning to organize a proficiency test regarding parasiticides, antibiotics and dyes in salmon muscle. This test will focus on the screening and/or quantification of the detected compounds. This test will be organised under accreditation according to ISO 17043. The primary goal of this proficiency test is to give laboratories the opportunity to evaluate or demonstrate their performance regarding the analysis of parasiticides, antibiotics and dyes in salmon muscle. The number of participants is limited to 50; if the number of participants is insufficient, the proficiency test cannot proceed.

I would like to invite you to participate in this test.

Please forward this invitation to other laboratories in your country or other contacts that could be interested in participating. The following issues are important for participation in the proficiency test:

### 1. Samples

- Three salmon muscle samples (approximately 50 grams) will be supplied for the **screening or quantitative** analysis of parasiticides, antibiotics and dyes.
- The samples may contain one or more compounds.
- Samples will be sent in September/October 2018. The distribution of the samples will be announced by e-mail.
- The participant should arrange the necessary import permits for the sample materials.

### 2. Screening or quantitative analysis

- Please indicate in the participation form which compounds are included in your analytical method(s).
- The results have to be reported within 7 weeks after shipment of the samples

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SUBJECT  
Proficiency test for antibiotics and parasiticides in salmon muscle

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RIKILT, part of Wageningen University & Research, carries out research into the safety and reliability of food and feed. RIKILT is ISO 17025 and ISO 17043 accredited (the accredited tests are described on [www.rva.nl](http://www.rva.nl) (no. L014 and R013)).

### **3. Report**

- A report of the proficiency test will be dispatched in February 2019.
- Results of the proficiency test will be presented anonymously.

### **4. Additional information**

- RIKILT is allowed to use the anonymous results of the proficiency test in presentations, seminars and publications.
- RIKILT will never inform third parties (e.g. accreditation bodies) on specific laboratory results without informing the laboratory first.

### **5. Costs**

- For the participation, we request a fee of € 500,- (ex. VAT) as a compensation for the preparation and transportation of the samples
- If an extra batch of samples is needed after the first shipping, the courier costs will be charged.

If you would like to participate, please fill out the participation form (preferably digitally) and send it to me before July 15 2018 by e-mail ([pt.rikilt@wur.nl](mailto:pt.rikilt@wur.nl)) or by fax (+31 317 417 717). If you choose the first, please print the document, sign it and e-mail a scan of the signed document.

Hoping to welcome you for this proficiency test,

Yours sincerely,



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