

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NOVEL FOODS AND PROCESSES**

**ACNFP WORKSHOP / OPEN EVENT**

**Issue**

The Committee is asked to consider the proposed organisation for the ACNFP open event to be held on 18 February 2009 at Aviation House.

**Background**

1. The Committee's first meeting in 2009 will take place over 2 days, 18–19 February. It is suggested that the open event is held on the afternoon of Wednesday 18 February with a closed meeting following on 19 February to discuss applications and other committee business. The Secretariat has booked conference rooms at Aviation House for both days and will organise accommodation for Members as required.
2. Previous open events have been comprised of two or three discrete sessions followed by a final discussion and summing up, with input from the audience and Committee, along the following lines:
  - An overview of the Committee's role and remit including short presentations of relevance to the work of the Committee.
  - A discussion of a specific topic (or topics) between Committee members and other participants, in smaller breakout groups.
  - Summing up the discussions
  - A question and answer session where the audience are given an opportunity to ask the Committee questions on relevant topics.

**Committee Action Required**

3. Members are asked to agree the format of the open event and the topic or topics that might be covered.

**Secretariat  
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