Country presentation: Quality assurance for fortified flour

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Quality assurance in flour fortification

- Internal control (mills).
- External control (by government authorities).
- In Kyrgyz Republic, all kinds of inspections are governed by the Law of KR "On procedure of inspections of business entities"
 - Basis: analysis of risk assessment in inspection subjects.
- Mills are controlled for compliance with technical regulations «On fortified flour safety» (PPKR dd. 16.08.2012 № 569)

Flour fortification quality control

- Since August 12, 2017 the inspection will be performed on compliance with requirements of technical regulations of Customs Union (TR CU 021/2011, 034/2013) and TR KR.
- State control (supervision) is performed for flour safety and quality of fortification.
- Technical regulations establish requirements to production process, storage, delivery, sale and disposal of fortified flour.
- Control frequency in mills depends on risk degree of each facility individually.

Problems:

- In accordance with the Acquisition Agreement of Kyrgyz Republic to the Eurasian Economic Union Treaty, the control over imported flour shall be made only at the border of third countries.
- Technical regulations, both national and EAEC, establish requirements to safety of products and production process (manufacturing), storage, delivery (transportation), sale and disposal of products.
- On the Customs Union territory the sold products shall meet the requirements of TR CU 021/2011.

Solutions:

- Food products are fortified with therapeutic and preventive purposes.
- At this, the technical regulation requirements do not apply to sanitary and hygienic and preventive measures to prevent the incidence of mass infectious human diseases.
- It is also consistent with the Eurasian Economic Union Treaty dd. May 29, 2014.
- Each country has the right to establish its own therapeutic and preventive measures that are not subject to the technical regulation.

Solutions:

- To prohibit the importation of non-fortified flour into the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic.
- Similar measures are applied in the Republic of Kazakhstan, providing fortification of flour of first and highest grades to be sold on the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Thank you!