

Report of the 31st Session of the Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses

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The 31st Session of the Codex Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU) was held in Düsseldorf, Germany from 2 to 6 November 2009. The Committee was attended by 260 delegates, observers, and advisors representing 67 member countries, one member organization (EC) and 29 international organizations (NGOs). The Session reached the following conclusions:

The Committee agreed to forward to the Commission for their adoption:

- Draft List of Methods for Dietary Fibre, including the revised footnote 1 of definition of dietary fibre for adoption at Step 8;
- General Principles for Establishing Nutrient Reference Values of Vitamins and Minerals for General Population at Step 5.

The Committee agreed to ask the Commission to approve:

- New work to amend the Codex Guidelines for Nutrition Labelling to Establish Nutrient Reference Values for Nutrients Associated with Risk of Diet-related Noncommunicable Diseases for the General Population;
- New work on the revision of the Codex General Principles for the Addition of Essential Nutrients to Foods (CAC/GL 09-1987);
- New work on the revision of the Codex Guidelines on Formulated Supplementary Foods for Older Infants and young Children (CAC/GL 08-1981).