

**2026 EFLA ONLINE WORKSHOP:
Key Highlights on the
Omnibus and BioTech Act I**

25 September 2026 | Online



10:00 - 10:05

Welcome address

Paola Corte — EFLA President

10:05 - 10:15

Opening Remarks and Framing: The Future of Food Innovation Regulation

Manon Ombredane — Legal Director at Squire Patton Boggs

10:15 - 10:40

The EU Biotech Act: Enabling Innovation through a Modernized Regulatory Framework

Alexandra Eftimie — Legal and Policy Officer at the European Commission

10:40 - 11:05

The EU Omnibus Legislative Package: Streamlining Rules for Emerging Food Technologies

Francesca Mancini — Deputy Head of Unit at the European Commission

11:05 - 11:30

EFSA risk assessment: a case to re-balance transparency and consultations requirements?

Marta Baffigo — Research and Development Scientific and Regulatory Affairs Senior Director, EMEA at Cargill

11:30 - 11:55

The UK Approach to Food Innovation: Agility, Risk Management and Policy Direction

Joshua Ravenhill — Head of Cell-Cultivated Product Sandbox at FSA

11:55 - 12:20

Industry Perspective

Wieke Edinger — Sr Manager Public Affairs, Lead EU Food & Ag policy at Novonosis

12:20 - 12:50

Panel Q&A and Interactive Discussion

12:50 - 13:00

Closing Reflections and Key Takeaways

Manon Ombredane — Legal Director at Squire Patton Boggs



EFLA Organising Committee: Emily Amat, Paola Corte, Ina Gertsberger, Joanna Jaskolska, Peter Loosen, Andreas Meisterernst, Francesco Montanari, Manon Ombredane, Francesco Planchenstainer, Marlene Simonini, Elena Todorova

European Food Law Association (EFLA)

Avenue de Tervuren, 13A, Boîte 7 | B - 1040 Brussels
T: +32 2 736 53 54 - F: +32 2 732 34 27 - VAT: BE 0413 581 769
E: secretariat@efla-aeda.org - W: www.efla-aeda.org