

## Annex 13.3

### Participation in the QS scheme with GLOBALG.A.P. certificates Option 1 Multi-site with QMS

GLOBALG.A.P. certificates Option 1 Multisite with implementation of a QMS<sup>1</sup> are recognized by QS. Certificate holder (the single producer or the individual organization) and the corresponding production sites can participate in the QS scheme, if their registered office and production sites are located within the European Union. They have to be certified against GLOBALG.A.P. Option 1 Multisite with implementation of QMS for at least two years and fulfil the following requirements.

#### Requirements for the participation in the QS scheme

Producers with GLOBALG.A.P. Option 1 Multisite with QMS certificates can deliver goods into the QS Scheme, if the following requirements are fulfilled:

The QS-coordinator registers the producers (certificate holder) and their production sites in the QS database (incl. address, GGN, crops of the registered production site and certificate run-time). All production sites of a producer must be registered.

The **certificate holder** signs an **agreement** vis-à-vis to the coordinator **to participate in the QS scheme (Participation and Power of Attorney)**.

All producers registered for QS participate in the QS **residue monitoring**.

All QS registered **products are certified**. Producers with parallel production of certified and non-certified products cannot participate in the QS scheme.

Producers, who purchase goods, must additionally be certified according to the guideline QS production Fruit, Vegetable, Potatoes or QS Wholesale or confirm to the coordinator that they do not sell the purchased goods as QS goods.

#### Requirements for labelling goods with the QS certification mark

QS will allow to label goods with the QS certification mark, if the producer with his production sites registered for QS have been **successfully participating in the QS scheme** for at **least one year**. This includes the:

- **Rule-consistent participation in the QS-residue monitoring**
  - The sampling orders will be implemented on time,
  - In case of complaints, the identification of affected production sites is possible,
  - The complaint quota of the production sites is not significantly higher than the average in the entire QS residue monitoring
- **Complaint-free participation in the QS scheme**
  - The requirements for the recognition of the GLOBALG.A.P. certification (reporting requirements of the coordinator according to the template of QS, if necessary additional inspections) are fulfilled,
  - At least 2/3 of the production sites passed in the last certification process the inspection on the day of the inspection

#### With the confirmation of QS for the use of the certification mark further requirements apply:

- Production sites with a complaint in the QS residue monitoring receive an additional surveillance audit<sup>2</sup> The according to the GLOBALG.A.P. inspection system allowed reduction of announced inspections<sup>3</sup> is no longer possible.
- Production sites who do not pass the surveillance audit immediately (on the day of the inspection) will receive an additional GLOBALG.A.P. surveillance audit in the next certification cycle.
- At least 2/3 of the production sites have passed the surveillance audit on the day of the inspection in the current certification cycle. If this is not the case, the number of GLOBALG.A.P. surveillance audits has to be doubled.

<sup>1</sup> see GLOBALG.A.P. General Regulation Part I General Requirements Zff. 3.1.2

<sup>2</sup> see GLOBALG.A.P. General Regulation Part I General Requirements Zff. 5.2.3 e)

<sup>3</sup> see GLOBALG.A.P. General Regulation Part I General Requirements Zff. 5.2.3 e) (iv)

- Producers and production sites who purchase uncertified products of the same product that they grow in a certified production process (=parallel ownership<sup>4</sup>) receive announced GLOBALG.A.P. inspections annually.

**If additional GLOBALG.A.P. inspections** are required, they must be performed by the certification body responsible for the GLOBALG.A.P. certificate.

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<sup>4</sup> see GLOBALG.A.P. General Regulation Part I General Requirements Zff.4.3.2.1