

# Appendix 7: Terms of reference of the Inter-departmental Advisory Group

## Role

The role of the Inter-departmental Advisory Group (IDAG) is to:

1. Provide advice from the perspectives of the members' organizations.
2. Assure assimilation of the work and the status of the work of the review in these organizations and with the relevant science community.
3. Deal with sensitive issues as they arise.
4. Provide comment on draft papers.

## Membership

- Tony Robinson, MORST – in connection with the Ministerial Advisory Committee on BSE;
- Mark Jacobs, Ministry of Health;
- Derek Belton, Biosecurity New Zealand;
- Mark Trainor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

## Role of the Chair

- Raise issues from the working group.
- Apprise IDAG of progress/process so far.
- Seek feedback on particular points and, where appropriate, request feedback through members' networks.

## Role of the Project Manager

- Provide secretariat.
- Co-ordinate views and feedback.
- Annotate view and feedback and, where necessary, take them to the Steering Group for a view on what to do with them.

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