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FOCUS VC constitution

**DGSANTE FOCUS version control
stakeholder sxchange**


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MEMBERS

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- Two for each FOCUS model one for each FOCUS tool (range of affiliations)
 - Two to chair group (work at EFSA)
 - Two to manage the website (work at JRC)
 - An individual responsible for quality checking / compatibility with operating systems / other programmes.
 - An individual ensuring PEARL / PELMO PEC soil tools respect what is defined within that guidance and is aware of needs of competent authorities

CURRENT REASONS FOR DEVELOPING NEW MODEL VERSIONS

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- Fix bugs reported to helpdesk
 - Updated parameter implementation / process description in core model (Usually initiative of model developer)
 - Requests for new shell features from users (via helpdesk or MS discussions at EFSA)
 - Implement decisions outlined in new guidance being developed. Only relevant mandate currently will be for surface water repair
 - PEC soil a special case for PEARL and PELMO (Rules agreed for version control responsibility)

DECISION MAKING FOR A NEW RELEASE

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- Consensus from all work group members for tools in relation to FOCUS report results
 - Two different steering groups would decide if consensus not reached (has not been needed to date)
 - EFSA takes responsibilities for updates in version control documentation excluding tool manuals (other workgroup members have provided input but final decision on content is with EFSA)
 - Limited situations when 'rules' allow documentation updates

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