

- Change of legal entity, and also in case of new name, or where the change of legal entity results from a merge or universal succession. This excludes change of legal entity involving:
 - * assignment of contract to a new entity, total or partial, including the payments or;
 - * change of legal entity where a new institutional DoI has to be assessed

I.14.2 Obligation to notify EFSA of changes

In accordance with article II.18.i the contractor is obliged to notify EFSA of any change to their legal, financial, technical, organisational or ownership situation which is likely to substantially affect the *Implementation of the contract* or substantially modify the conditions under which the contract was initially awarded. This includes but is not limited to notifying EFSA of changes which may have affected the original declaration on honour on exclusion criteria; declaration on honour on selection criteria or the status of the contractor in the Early Detection and Exclusion System (EDES).

I.14.3 Liability for alleged breach of intellectual property rights

By derogation to article II.6.3, in the event that a third party brings an action against EFSA in connection with alleged breach of intellectual property rights, the contractor will be liable for the whole amount of consequential loss or damages caused to EFSA as a consequence of an absent or incorrect declaration on pre-existing rights.

I.14.4 Declarations of interest

With reference to Article II.7 the contractor shall provide individual declarations of interest for new members in the project team or updated individual declarations for those team members whose interests declared on the occasion of signature of the contract have substantially changed during the implementation of the contract. Updated institutional declarations of interest must also be provided when the interests declared on the occasion of signature of the contract have substantially changed during the implementation of the contract. The declarations will be screen in accordance with the [EFSA's Independence policy](#) and the [Decision of the Executive Director on Competing Interest Management which can be found on the EFSA website](#).

I.14.5 Signature of contracts pending receipt of eligibility documents

The signature of this contract by the contracting authority is conditional on the receipt of all eligibility documents requested in the award letter, in order to evidence the Declaration on Honour. In exceptional cases, the contract could be signed before the receipt of those documents. In such case, should the contractor fail to submit all required eligibility documents within 2 months of the contract signature, EFSA reserves the right to terminate the contract with immediate effect.