

**PT 96 – Impurities determination in cocoa beans****NEW PROFICIENCY TESTING SCHEME
2018 - 2019**

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

In order to complete our wide range of PT programs in food, we are pleased to announce the launch of a new PT program: **96 – Impurities determination in cocoa beans**

The technical details are available below:

PT	96 – Impurities determination in cocoa beans	
Schedule	1 round in May 2019	
Matrices	Cocoa beans 4 samples of 2.5 kg each	
Parameters	Details (analysis to be performed twice for each determination)	Standard
	Determination of moisture content Determination of sample test weight Determination of the sieving Determination of cocoa related matter (bean clusters, broken beans and associated fragments and/or pieces of shell) and foreign matter Determination of the bean count Determination of the mouldy beans percentage Determination of the slaty beans percentage Determination of the violet/purple percentage Determination of the germinated beans percentage Determination of the flat beans percentage Determination the insect-damaged / infested beans percentage	ISO 2451:2017
	Determination of moisture content Determination of the sample test weight Determination of the sievings (matter passing through the sieve) Determination of the flat beans percentage Determination of the foreign matter percentage Determination of cocoa related matter Determination of the bean count Determination of the mouldy beans percentage Determination of the slaty beans percentage Determination of the insect damaged / infested beans percentage Determination of the violet/purple beans percentages Determination of the germinated beans percentage Determination of the percentage of beans with white spots Classification Detection of specific off-flavours in cocoa beans	FCC (Federation of cocoa commerce) quality rules:2015
Deadline for Registration	April 15, 2019	
Date of shipping	April 25, 2019	
Deadline for Results Submission	May 31, 2019	
Price "France" area including shipping cost	326 € (for other countries, please contact us shellali@bipea.org)	

If you want to register to this program or to receive more information, please feel free to contact us.

Best regards,

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