

Letter of announcement

Belgian Medicines Verification System goes Live

Dear FMD stakeholders,

We are pleased to announce you that the Belgian Medicines Verification System is now connected to the EU Hub in the Live environment and ready to serve the MAHs and end users active in Belgium and Luxembourg.

This major milestone was achieved thanks to the commitment and efforts of the BeMVO and all stakeholders involved in the implementation of the Falsified Medicines Directive in Belgium and Luxembourg.

At national level, the strong alignment between the different stakeholder associations represented in the Board of the BeMVO made it possible to take the appropriate measures and decisions to set the pace for a streamlined project governance. The Board of the BeMVO was hereby supported by a dedicated operational team focusing on implementation efficiency and ensuring that all aspects of this complex project were addressed within the sharp timelines.

Further it is equally important to stress the valuable support received from EMVO and the strong collaboration between the different NMVOs having selected Arvato Systems as the IT service provider.

With this major step forward, the Marketing Authorisation Holders can now start uploading data for Belgium and Luxembourg to the EU Hub through their OBP.

The upload of data for packs that are already in the market is extremely important in view of the use of the system by the supply chain actors who will also start connecting to the system. Minimizing disruption in the supply chain remains our primary focus and it is therefore important to stress again following points:

- Consult the specific loading specifications for this supra-national system Belgium & Luxembourg, published on the bemvo.be website
- Upload the data for all packs already available in the market and new batches to be released
- Ensure the quality requirements for the printed 2D matrix and loaded data
- Communicate the GTIN product codes and corresponding CNK (Belgian NIHII number) to gtin@apb.be to be inserted in conversion table that will be used in the supply chain

For any further information, the BeMVO team will be happy to answer all your questions. You can reach us at info@bemvo.be or consult the FAQ on our website.

With kind regards,

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