



## 17th IUFoST World Food Congress, Montreal 17-21 August

The **17<sup>th</sup> IUFoST World Food Congress** brings together again the international food science and technology community to foster relationships, share knowledge and develop strategies towards our mission of *Strengthening Global Food Science and Technology for Humanity*. We look forward to seeing many of you in **Montreal, Canada, 17-21 August 2014** as we meet together and celebrate achievement and discuss the global challenges in our profession.

## Please Mark Your Calendar

We ask especially that you join us for the IUFoST committee meetings, workshops and strategic planning sessions on Sunday, August 17th before the official congress opening. The outcomes of these discussions and further review by ad-hoc groups during the congress week will be reported formally to the IUFoST General Assembly that begins at 1.30 p.m. on Thursday, August 21.

## Competitions and Opportunities

There are competitions and opportunities to showcase your country's innovation, future leaders and generous spirit towards the global good. Our Adhering Bodies, the more than 75 national scientific bodies in IUFoST, are invited to take part in all these competitions and opportunities by encouraging nominations and then by being involved in the process of selection of the national entries who best exemplify innovation and leadership in industry, government and academia. Your assistance in communicating these opportunities to your relevant contacts, encouraging submissions, and forwarding nominees for consideration would be much appreciated.

**Global Food Industry Awards:** celebrating food science and technology innovation in three product-related categories and announced in conjunction with the Industry Leaders Summit at the congress.

**Food Science Students Fighting Hunger - Global Student New Product Development Competition:** encourages food science and technology undergraduate students to develop innovative food product projects.

**Young Scientists:** Seven outstanding candidates from national IUFoST bodies will be selected for this unique opportunity to address the World Congress to meet distinguished members of the profession and to share in strategic planning on a global level for food science and technology.

**Food Safety without Borders - Graduate Student Paper Competition:** submitted papers prepared by food science and technology graduate students on development of an indigenous food for new uses and markets with the goal of enhancing food safety.

Detailed information is available through the web addresses below to assist you in generating the submissions. Step two is that once the deadline has passed for each, we would like to invite you to review and provide your assessment on the most deserving candidates from your country for the international jury to consider. You will be sent the details of those who have been nominated from your country for your assessment. Should they be short-listed as finalists, we hope you may be able to assist further by facilitating sponsorship to support their attendance as they represent your country on the world stage.

The Congress also has a robust scientific program that relies on abstracts submitted by food science and technology researchers. Your assistance in also raising awareness of that process would be much appreciated. In addition, a unique sponsorship opportunity is available to support students, postdoctoral fellows and other scientists submitting

as part of the abstract proposal process to ensure that the best and most deserving from these countries can attend. You are invited to become a sponsor for deserving scientists from developing countries.

**Country Pavilions** Another unique opportunity to showcase your country, its institutions and industry is through the **country pavilions** opportunity in the exhibition area. In the pavilion you will be displaying your national achievements and products and innovations for the benefit of the suppliers, exporters, technical specialists and all others engaged in food science and technology commerce worldwide. Your participation will add greatly to the diversity and depth of the World Congress and provide an unforgettable experience for those selected from your country and for those you may have helped to bring to this global food forum at the 17th IUFOST World Congress of Food Science and Technology. Please let me know if you require anything further to proceed.

**Website addresses:** Opportunity to be a Developing Country Sponsorship Supporter:

<http://iufost2014.org/index.php/sponsors-exhibitors/developing-country-sponsorship-supporters>

Global Food Industry Awards - <http://iufost.org/global-food-industry-awards>

Young Scientist World Food Congress Award - <http://iufost.org/young-scientist-world-food-congress-award>

Food Safety Without Borders - IUFOST Graduate Student Paper Competition - <http://iufost.org/food-safety-without-borders>

Food Science Students Fighting Hunger - IUFOST Product Development Competition - <http://iufost.org/food-science-students-fighting-hunger>

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Congress website: IUFOST 17th World Congress of Food Science and Technology, Montreal, Canada, 17 - 21 August 2014 - abstract submission process is open and registration opens January 13th , <http://iufost2014.org>