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IUFoST SNAPSHOTS

Workshops: The Science Behind Food Regulations

The second and third workshops in the Food Regulators series presented by IUFoST together with its Adhering Bodies took place in Bogor, Indonesia and Pretoria, South Africa. International experts joined their national counterparts to bring programmes of specific relevance to their countries. The respective Food Regulatory Authorities took part in this programming and have requested further workshops.

Congratulations and thanks are extended to our national scientific bodies who directed the programmes in Brazil (SbCTA), Indonesia (SEAFast and PATPI) and South Africa (SAAFoST).

The programme is expanding by national request to include additional workshops in the countries above and to introduce workshops in Eastern and Central European, South East Asian, South American countries and a pan-African meeting.

IUFoST Visiting Professors Programme

Many Fellows are participating in the Visiting Professors programme and IUFoST is glad to recognise the most recent individual efforts in this regard by Dr. Vincent Hegarty, Dr. Huub Lelieveld, Dr. Fereidoon Shahidi, Dra Delia Rodriguez-Amaya, and Dr. Aman Wirakartakusumah.

Assessment/Recognition of Food Science and Technology Programmes

The Assessment/Recognition process is ongoing. Numerous programmes are in review and on-site assessment planning is underway at the request of the institutes involved. This programme was established in response to IUFoST Adhering Body requests for an international benchmark system and assessment process. IUFoST

works with its national scientific body to create a collaborative and sustainable system.

Global Food Safety Curricula Initiative (GFSCI)

Begun at the request of the World Bank Secretariat of the Global Food Safety Partnership, the Initiative has moved into its second phase. Twenty-one Working Groups are developing curricula outlines on foundational core curricula subjects identified from surveys, online questionnaires, responses from food safety experts, and analyses of other curricula review processes. These are being discussed and further developed at regional meetings this year between academics, industry and government.

A GFSCI Student Community Programme has been developed to engage current food science and technology students in the GFSCI beginning in 2016. Reaching the students is challenging. Help is needed in inviting them to be a part of the GFSCI. Find the GFSCI Student Community information [here](#) and an e-postcard [here](#). There is also a student survey, which can be found [here](#).

Global Visions for the Role of Food Science and Technology to meet Societal and Technological Challenges

Please read [the Global Visions report](#) and if your country is not included, that means we need to hear from you. Please take the time to review the questions and formulate a national perspective reply on the status of Food Science and Technology. We aim to have a comprehensive global report (approx. 1200-1500 words) [per country](#) responding to the questions and each should include insights from government, industry and academia.

This report will be considered during the Inaugural Global Food Summit convened by IUFoST and our Irish Adhering Body, IFSTI, in conjunction with the World Food Congress in Dublin. This Summit will be opened and addressed by the Irish Minister of Agriculture, Food and Marine.

If you have already submitted a report, we ask that you review and update it as needed, or prepare a national report and send it to Academy Fellows [Dr. Anne-Marie Hermansson](#) and/or [Dr. Peter Lillford](#) with a copy to the [IUFoST Secretariat](#). You can also respond to the [questions](#) online but please keep in mind that our interest is in a comprehensive report compiled from several expert sources per country or from our Adhering Body with a compilation of national responses. We welcome your contributions in either form.

2016 International Forum on Food Safety, Beijing, China

The 6th International Forum on Food Safety (IFOFS), *Ensuring a Safe Food Supply for Public Health*, organised by the National Center for Safety Risk Assessment (CFSA), Chinese Institute of Food Science and Technology (CIFST), and IUFoST, is taking place from April 11 to 15th in Beijing. It begins with a workshop on Food Safety Risk Assessment, followed by the Forum programme featuring many national and international experts. [See IFOFS](#) for details.

Early Career Scientists

Nominees to the Early Career Scientist Section of the International Academy of Food Science and Technology are under consideration by the appointed jury. Notification of the jury decisions will be made public in early April.

Elections

The Election process is underway and Adhering Bodies and Fellows of the International Academy will be receiving further notifications regarding nominations and ballots. Please contact the [IU FoST Secretariat](#) with any questions regarding the Elections.

WORLD CONGRESS and COMPETITIONS and DEADLINES

IU FoST 2016 - the 18th World Congress of Food Science and Technology (World Food Congress), 21-25 August 2016, Dublin, Ireland,

will feature a scientific programme designed to be the focus of global interest and highlight Food Science and Technology in 2016 and a social programme that promises to be a lot of fun! Mark your calendars:

Saturday, August 20th:

Committee and working group meetings including the Global Food Safety Curricula Initiative (GFSCI). Opportunities for you to register your interest in participating will be sent to you next month.

Sunday, August 21st:

Inaugural Global Food Summit, all day leading up to the official congress opening on Sunday evening. Invitations will be sent to you in the next few weeks with a request for you to register your attendance.

Sunday, August 21st - Thursday, August 25th:

An outstanding programme is in store and many of you are already involved in its execution. Women in Food Engineering, Waste/Food Losses, Emerging Technologies, Global Industry Panel, Sustainability programmes for greening of the food chain, Food Safety, Nutrition and Health are just a few of the sessions included. For more on the programme, go to the [World Congress](#) site.

The IU FoST General Assembly is in the afternoon of August 25th:

More on this programme will follow but it will include reports from our Adhering Bodies on their work with IU FoST in their countries. IU FoST Adhering Bodies, Fellows, Committee and Working Group Members, Young Scientists and Students are all invited to participate. An invitation to register your attendance will be sent out in April. Opportunities for science and leisure for young scientists, including those from other bio-sciences, and for students have been arranged, including a global quiz bowl!

The Exhibition throughout will feature emerging technologies and latest innovations through country pavilions and industry showcases - find more information [here](#).

All of this is against the backdrop of a stunning green landscape and in the midst of a forward-looking Ireland that is a leader in applying food science and technology for the sustainability and safety of the food chain.

COMPETITIONS and DEADLINES

The following competitions are open until 30 March:

1. *Food Safety Without Borders Graduate Student Paper Competition*. Find information at http://iufost.org/awards_food_safety
2. *Food Sustainability Idea/Concept Development Competition*. Find information at <http://iufost.org/food-sustainability-ideaconcept-development-competition>
3. *Food Science Students Fighting Hunger Product Development Competition*. Find information at http://iufost.org/awards_students_food_science
4. *Global Food Industry Awards*. Find information at <http://www.iufost.org/iufost-global-food-industry-awards>

SUPPORTING Food Science and Technology Globally (2016 to date)

HONG KONG - Endorsement of the Global Food Safety and Technology Forum.

CANADA - Support provided for the Canadian Institute of Food Science and Technology (CIFST) annual conference to encourage student participation.

RWANDA - Support provided for the 1st conference of the Eastern African Association of Food Science and Technology, organised by the the Rwandan national scientific body, and for encouragement of the Young African network.

SOUTH AFRICA - Support provided for Food Science Regulators Workshop organised by the South African Association of Food Science and Technology (SAAFoST).

KENYA - Support provided through expert resource for the FOSTEP-K First East African Food Safety, Nutrition, Agro-Processing and Innovation Conference.

INDONESIA - Support for PATPI and Perhimpunan Penggiat Pangan Fungsional dan Nutrasetikal Indonesiain (P3FNI) in organising the first meeting for Health Ingredients South East Asia (HiSEA), in Jakarta.

Greening the Global Food Supply Chain Through Innovation:

Theme of the IUFOST 18th World Congress of Food Science and
Technology (World Food Congress)



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