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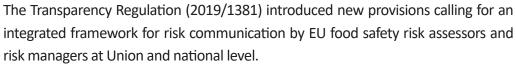
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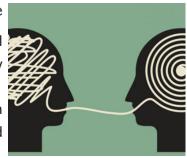
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## ) NEWS

## EFSA reports set to inspire future risk communications in Europe

Four new reports published by EFSA will provide a vast amount of technical information and best practice advice to help shape a future EU-wide food safety 'General Plan for Risk Communication'.





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#### Edible Insects: a step forward

Recent EFSA scientific opinions on novel food applications includes the first completed assessment of a proposed insect-derived food product (dried yellow mealworm). The safety evaluations are a necessary step in the regulation of novel food, as EFSA scientific advice supports EU and national decision-makers who authorise these products for the European market. The agency concluded that dried yellow mealworm products are safe and in line with EU legal requirements. This opinion results from an application submitted by the French company EAP Group Agronutris back in early 2018.

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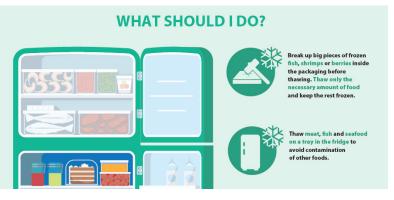




## **Stop African swine fever**

EFSA's multi-annual *Stop African Swine Fever* campaign will continue in 2021 to raise awareness about this usually deadly disease of pigs and wild boar that can have a devastating impact on farmers. In 2020, EFSA ran the campaign in those countries in South East-Europe where there is a risk of the disease spreading, targeting farmers and hunters. In 2021 the Authority is continuing the campaign, extending it to other countries that are also at risk of spread. It combines a wide range of online, offline, direct, and indirect channels to communicate with farmers and hunters — videos and radio ads, posters, factsheets, infographics, and social media activities. The campaign is implemented in close cooperation with the European Commission and other international organisations.

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## EFSA's guide for a good food storage

As we know, once food packaging has been opened, bacteria can be transferred to food by contaminated hands, surfaces, or equipment. EFSA has developed a guide to help food suppliers in deciding whether it is appropriate to give consumers other instructions in addition to the 'use by' or 'best before' dates.

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# Commission adopts new rules for CAP fruit and vegetable support scheme

The Commission adopted <u>new rules</u> to simplify the common agricultural policy (CAP)'s fruit and vegetable support scheme, and in particular, rules related to activities and programmes of producer organisations in the fruit and vegetable sector. This simplification paves the way to the new CAP, which will apply from 2023. Member States will now be able to extend their national strategies for the fruit and vegetable sector to ensure a smooth transition between the current and new rules once the new CAP enters into force.

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# Commission launches public consultation on review of the promotion policy for EU agri-food products

The Commission launched a public consultation, which aims to gather views on different policy options designed to ensure that the future EU agri-food promotion policy will support the transition to more sustainable food systems and nudge consumers to balanced diets, whilst strengthening the global competitiveness of EU farmers and agri-food businesses. In addition, the consultation will provide an opportunity to obtain feedback on different options to update the policy implementation, making it simpler and more effective for beneficiaries, implementing bodies and national authorities. The consultation is open for 12 weeks, from 31 March to 23 June 2021.

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## The Food for Europe podcast

The Food for Europe podcast is a European podcast series about the food we eat and the farmers who produce it. The first five episodes focus on organic farming, a sector that is at the heart of the EU's plans for the future of agriculture.

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## New national food law came into force in Finland

Food law 297/2021 came into force in Finland on 21.4.2021. The updated law aims to make food controls smoother and to strengthen the effectiveness and riskbasedness of food controls.

THE FINNISH TEXT OF THE LAW HERE >



## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



## Call for proposals for simple programmes 2021 -Promotion of agricultural products

The Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Food Safety (FSIL) is one of more than 20 Innovation Labs funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) as part of Feed the Future, the U.S. Government's global hunger and food security initiative. has announced a funding opportunity aimed at reducing foodborne illness in Africa, Asia and the Caribbean through research projects led by U.S.-based Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs).

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## **)** EVENTS

# Annual Conference on EU Law in the Food Sector 2021

Food security and sustainability Impact of COVID-19 on the agri-food sector Green Deal and future food Brexit and food waste



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The aim of this online annual conference is to provide food law practitioners with an analysis of the recent legislation, case law and ongoing policy developments at EU level affecting the food sector.

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## Strength2Food final conference

The Strength2Food H2020 project worked towards improving the effectiveness of EU food quality schemes, public sector food procurement and stimulating Short Food Supply Chains through research, innovation and demonstration activities. They are holding their final conference online on 20 May 2021.

Also, read their <u>guide</u> for <u>Public</u> <u>Sector Food Procurement</u> aimed at providing support to those involved in the production, procurement, distribution and delivery of meals in the public sector – to schools, care homes, hospitals and prisons.

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#### Global Health Summit

On 21 May 2021 in Rome, the European Commission and Italy, as chair of the <u>G20</u>, will co-host the Global Health Summit. The Summit is an opportunity for G20 and invited leaders, heads of international and regional organisations, and representatives of global health bodies, to share lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic, and develop and endorse a 'Rome Declaration' of principles.

Principles can be a powerful guide for further multilateral cooperation and joint action to prevent future global health crises, and for a joint commitment to build a healthier, safer, fairer and more sustainable world.

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## ONE – Health, Environment, Society | Conference 2022

The scientific programme of the ONE – Health, Environment, Society –Conference 2022, taking place in Brussels and online from 21-24 June 2022, will be shaped in partnership with the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA), the European Environment Agency (EEA), the European Medicines Agency (EMA), and the European Commission's Joint Research Centre.

It will focus on how will risk assessment science evolve over the next years. There is growing evidence that human, animal, and environmental health are inextricably linked, which means that risk assessment science cannot limit itself to food/feed safety. It needs to take a broader perspective, to pivot towards a "one health-one environment" approach.

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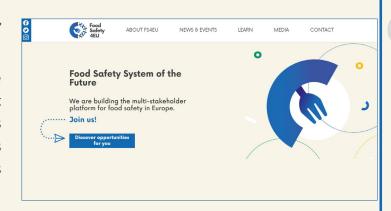


## **UPDATES FROM FoodSafety4EU**

## The new FS4EU website: a crossway for **Food Safety in Europe**

The new website constitutes a window to all the information necessary to understand the project and its objectives, as well as a space where users can find all the latest developments, achievements and keep updated about food safety with the news and events section.

We hope you'll enjoy it! <a href="https://foodsafety4.eu">https://foodsafety4.eu</a>



## **READ THE PRESS RELEASE**







## Raise your voice! get involved in our project

Register to our website and fill in our survey for collecting input from consumers, citizens, industries, authorities, researchers and associations to activate interaction within our project.

Go to <u>www.foodsafety4.eu</u>

click on get engaged! select "GET IN"

and let us know you better by clicking

"I WANT TO GET ENGAGED" in the contact form,

and filling in the SURVEY!



**UPDATES FROM FoodSafety4EU** 

## The future Food Safety System of the future: let's discover the FS4EU's partners ideas

The Fs4EU's partners are providing their **ideas** about the food **safety system of the future**: are you interested to discover them? Let's find out on the FS4EU's social media!

FS4EU is on Twitter, Linkedin, Facebook and Instagram

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#### Food Safety Operational Labs: let's start!

The training for all #FoodSafety4EU FSOLab managers and facilitators kicked-off on 28 th April!

ZSI, our partner expert in social innovation and participatory process, ZSI (Centre for Social Innovation) trained the #FS4EU members on Social Lab and interactive co-creation processes, in order to guarantee a fruitful exchange of opinions and knowledge among stakeholders also during virtual meetings.

After this training, FoodSafety4EU members are able to start their FSOLabs and design their first workshops with experts from the #FoodSafety system!

FSOLab activities will include consultations with all stakeholders of the #FoodSafety System.

Willing to contribute? Stay tuned!

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