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## **UPDATES FROM FoodSafety4EU**

## The 2nd International DISH Cluster Workshop – 12 October 2022

**Bridging science and society** - Risk Assessors meet Social Scientists on food safety matters

The second DISH Cluster international event will take place on 12th October 2022 and it will be inspired by outcome of the One 2022 Conference "A future-oriented discussion will focus on the importance of social sciences to remain relevant in the changing operating environment. It will bring together the main findings from the discussions during the session and pave a path towards the future of social sciences at regulatory bodies working within the One Health-One Environment approach."

Book your agenda, the registration will be available soon!

The DISH Cluster aims to guide and support consumers towards a healthy and safe diet by improving their nutritional habits and food safety. It is made up on the synergies established by 5 project: SafeConsume, Eat2benice, FoodSafety4EU, Stance4Health and TOXOSOURCES.











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#### Food Additives Campaign - Inform, share, post!

On October 2022 FoodSafety4EU and the European Food Information Council (EUFIC) will launch a social media campaign about food additives, based on an analysis of consumers' questions and concerns. Although food additives must prove a purpose and undergo strict safety evaluations, they are a source of concern for consumers. Therefore, the campaign features experts in the field who will answer consumers' most common throughout the month of October. The of the campaign is to raise general awareness of food additives, why they are used, their safety and labelling in the EU, and empower consumers to take science-based decisions.

Do not miss this opportunity! Follow us on our social networks and share!

### **NEWS**



## Bees and pesticides: draft guidance update for public consultation

EFSA has launched a public consultation on its draft guidance document on the risk assessment of plant protection products and bees, covering honey bees, bumble bees and solitary bees.

EFSA is responding to a request from the European Commission to review the guidance document, first published in 2013, considering new scientific knowledge that has emerged in the meantime. Comments are particularly invited on the novel approaches included in the draft guidance, which regard the risk assessment and the statistical analysis of field studies.

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#### Use by' and 'Best Before' - know your dates

Ever wondered what the difference is between 'use by' and 'best before dates' labels? Use By is about food safety, while Best Before relates to food quality. And all prepacked food must have information labels under EU law. A food label marked with either a 'best before' or 'use by' date indication is required to inform consumers how long foods can be kept and how to store them.

The European Commission estimates that up to 10% of the 88 million tonnes of food waste generated annually in the EU is linked to date marking on food products.

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# Small steps to eating more sustainably...



#### **BDA-Sustainable September 2022**

Sustainable September is a great opportunity to promote the benefits - both for health and the planet - of a sustainable diet and highlight the small steps we can all make to do our bit.

This year BDA will introduce 'Small steps to eating more sustainably' in partnership with the corporate members Oatly who will be providing prizes throughout the month.

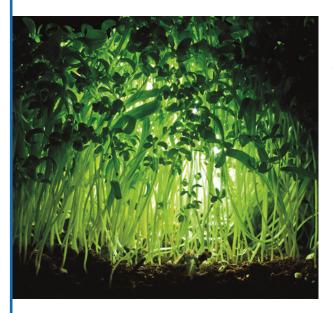


#### How is climate change impacting our food?

Climate change is set to impact all areas of human life, and food is no exception. In fact, many food producers around the world are already starting to feel the effects of climate change. Here are 10 ways that climate change is expected to impact on, or already affecting the way we produce our food.



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#### Commission consults citizens and stakeholders on possible EU Soil Health Law

The European Commission has launched an online public consultation for available translations of the preceding link on the development of a possible EU Soil Health Law.

Soils are the foundation of our food security, providing 95% of the food we eat. Healthy soils are vital for life on Earth. They deliver many essential services and are crucial to achieve key objectives of the European Green Deal for available translations of the preceding link such as climate neutrality, biodiversity restoration, zero pollution, healthy and sustainable food systems and a resilient environment.







## **EVENTS**

## Risk Assessment Research Assembly (RARA) – Berlin, December 2022

Registrations are open for the Risk Assessment Research Assembly (RARA), which will take place in person on 7 December 2022 in Berlin. Take the opportunity to join this networking event and have your say on how food safety can support sustainable food systems and the EU Green Deal!

The deadline for registration is by midnight on 24 October 2022. Since places are limited, it is recommended not to wait until the last minute.



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Don't miss FoodSafety4EU contribution to parallel session 3: Food Safety Research Needs - Prioritization and involvement of risk assessor community!



Info session on the Call for proposals - Support to EFSA in the Risk Assessment of Food Enzymes, Food Additives, Food Flavourings and Feed Additives - 20 September

To clarify the content of the grant and to give an opportunity for an open discussion to potential applicants, EFSA is holding an Info session on 20 September 2022, 14:00-16:00 (CET). Following the criteria of the grant, the event is restricted to Article 36 organisations. The recording will be available on EFSA website after the event. The recordings of the info session are available online.

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#### EFSA findings on the animal welfare for transported animals - 26 September

The safety of the food chain is also linked to the welfare of animals, particularly those farmed for food production, due to the close links between animal welfare, animal health and food-borne diseases. EFSA's commitment to improve the welfare of animals supports decision makers with science, in areas like transport, farming, slaughtering, AMR and animal testing.

This public event is organised as an opportunity to engage with EFSA's experts and representatives of the European Commission on the latest findings, namely on the results of the EFSA scientific opinions on the transport of animals, which will be published beginning of September 2022.







#### The Food Safety Conference 2022 5 - 6 October 2022

On 5 and 6 October New Food will organize a New Food's annual flagship summit. This event places some of the food and drink sector's current major challenges in the spotlight. By assessing and debating some of the industry's most challenging topics — including food safety, sustainability, transparency, trust and food safety culture — we aim to shed light on the things we may not want to know, but certainly should.



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## I Ith International Conference on Food Safety, Hygiene and Regulatory Measures | 22-23 October

Euroscicon invites all the participants from all over the world to attend "11th International Conference on Food Safety, Hygiene and Regulatory Measures" during September 22-23, 2022 at London, UK. The Theme of the Conference is "Global Forum of Innovations in Food Safety". The main objective is to bring all the leading academic scientists, researchers, and research scholars together to exchange and share their experiences and research results about all the aspects of Food Safety.

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#### 6th Imekofoods Conference | 7-9 November 2022

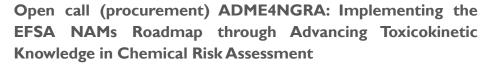
IMEKOTC 23 "Metrology in Foods and Nutrition", EUROLAB and METROFOOD, are organizing 6th IMEKOFOODS Conference. Conference will be held in hybrid form in Hotel Lacroma, Dubrovnik, Croatia, from 7 - 9 November 2022, with a title "Food on a global market – opportunities and threats". All scientists and professionals in the food area are welcome to the conference and present their achievements in food production and processing, food testing and inspection in laboratories, control agencies as well as in health institutes active in ensuring food safety and quality. Lastly, the participants may send an abstract until the 15th of September to intridure a printed or digital poster during the Conference.





### **) FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**





The aim of this procurement is to execute a project to support the development of advanced in vitro and in silico ADME (absorption, distribution, metabolism and excretion) models and databases for next generation risk assessment (NGRA) of chemicals using illustrative case studies. Maximum budget is of 3.0 M and the time limit for receipt of tenders (deadline) 15 September 2022- 14:30 (CEST).

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# ICT-AGRI-FOOD's 2022 Joint Call | Deadline 26th September 2022

The deadline for the ICT-AGRI-FOOD's 2022 Joint Call has been postponed to the 26<sup>th</sup> September. The Call aims to develop more transparent agri-food systems for consumers and other stakeholders along the food value chain based on ICT technologies.

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