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Calls

EFSA Call for Expressions of Interest for External Experts in Working Groups – Nanotechnologies | deadline 30.10.

Are you a motivated scientist seeking to make a difference and contribute to protecting public health in Europe? Would you like to harness your passion for science by working for the cornerstone of food safety risk assessment in Europe?

Scientists with the required expertise are invited to express their interest by applying to this call and may be considered for participation in one of EFSA's Working Groups.

The expertise needed includes the following subjects, all of them in relation to nanotechnologies/nanomaterials:

Chemistry (e.g. analytical chemistry, method development and validation, synthesis of nanomaterials, manufacture of polymers, coordination chemistry), Physics, Detection and Physico-chemical characterisation of nanosized materials as such and/or in complex matrices (e.g. food/feed/food contact materials), Toxicology, Genetic toxicology, Developmental toxicology, Neurodevelopmental toxicology, Toxicokinetics (Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism, Excretion), Toxicity testing, Development and validation of New Approach Methodologies (i.e. non-animal methods such as in silico, in vitro, in chemico methods, omics), Mode of action, Adverse outcome pathways, Data science, Exposure assessment, Human and Animal Nutrition, Veterinary medicine, Human health, Animal, and Environmental Risk Assessment of nanomaterials or nanoparticles.

[More information here.](#)

See all EFSA open calls for [grant proposals](#), [calls for data](#) and [calls for tender](#).

Public Consultations

Draft Scientific Report defining the specific effects in kidneys relevant for performing a dietary cumulative risk assessment of pesticide residues | deadline 27.10.

As part of the 2021 long-term EFSA-SANTE action plan, EFSA was requested to perform a retrospective CRA of the effects of pesticide residues on the kidneys: specific effects affecting different renal structures (tubule, glomerulus, interstitium, papilla, and pelvis) were identified by an EFSA working group (WG) and considered the basis to establish cumulative assessment groups (CAGs) for effects of pesticides in kidney. Input from interested parties would be welcome in order to finalise the list of specific effects and their respective indicators, the criteria for CAG establishment and hazard characterisation methodology, and lines of evidence for CAG-membership probability.

The public consultation will remain **open until 27th October**.

See all open public consultations [here](#).

Events

One Health research conference Luxembourg | Abstract submission deadline 15.10.

The Luxembourg Veterinary and Food Administration (ALVA) is excited to announce the upcoming annual conference on research in food safety with the focus on One Health. The event is supported by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) and will be held in-person at the Cercle Cité (Luxembourg City) on Monday, **11th December 2023 at 5 pm** followed by a reception. Registration is mandatory and will open soon.

Connect with fellow professionals, researchers, and experts!

One Health is a collaborative, interdisciplinary approach which highlights the importance of collaborations. This conference serves as a platform to foster collaborations within Luxembourg and beyond with invited speakers from our neighbouring countries.

Share your research findings and contribute to the field's collective knowledge!

The majority of speakers at the One Health Conference will be selected from submitted abstracts, providing an excellent opportunity for researchers to promote their research and activities. **Abstract submission deadline** to be considered for an oral presentation is **October 15th 2023 at 2pm**. Submit an abstract (max. 250 words) and title of the talk [via email](#) indicating your affiliation.

International Symposium on Food Safety and Control | Abstract submission deadline 17.11.

The symposium is organized by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) through the Joint FAO/IAEA Centre of Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture, to be held from **27 to 31 May 2024** in IAEA Headquarters in Vienna, Austria.

The purpose of this symposium is to bring together experts and stakeholders in food safety and food control systems to consider the protection of the integrity of the food supply chain and measures to improve its resilience to food security challenges (e.g., disruptive events, climate change, foodborne disease, food fraud, antimicrobial resistance).

Abstract submission is open until 17 November 2023.

No registration fee is charged to participants. Please see Key Deadlines on [Home: International Symposium on Food Safety and Control | IAEA](#).

All persons wishing to participate in the event must be designated by an IAEA Member State or should be member of an organization that has been invited to attend. Participants from Member States or from invited organizations need to register using the [InTouch+ platform](#).

Kind regards,

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Useful links:

[Home: International Symposium on Food Safety and Control | IAEA](#)

Abstract submission: [IAEA-INDICO](#)

Registration: <https://intouchplus.iaea.org>

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Other

Procurement vs grants

The European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) commission scientific services across the European Union, either through **calls for tenders (procurement)** or **calls for proposals (grants)**.

Procurement and grants are different tools: watch this short [video](#) and check out the information available on our [website](#) to find out more.

For any questions, please contact EFSAProcurement@efsa.europa.eu