



Arab Food Safety Initiative for Trade Facilitation

المبادرة العربية لسلامة الأغذية وتسهيل التجارة

ARAB FOOD SAFETY SCIENTISTS (AFSS) PLATFORM

IDENTIFY. CONNECT. COLLABORATE.

An Initiative developed by SAFE

ABOUT SAFE

The “Arab Food Safety Initiative for Trade Facilitation”, known as the “SAFE Initiative”, is a regional initiative led by the League of Arab States (LAS) and its specialized agencies: the Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization (AIDMO) and the Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD).

The key objective is to facilitate regional trade in food/agri-based products and improve integration through strengthening the regional coordination and harmonization mechanisms on conformity assessment and Food Safety systems following international best practices on TBT and SPS.

The SAFE Initiative is funded by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) and implemented by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

ABOUT THE FOOD SAFETY SCIENCE COMMUNITY

One of the key components of the SAFE Initiative is to establish a sustained engagement between the academia-food safety science community and the Arab Task Force (ATF) on food safety – which is an inter-governmental steering group, composed of all Food Safety competent authorities in the region, established within the framework of the SAFE initiative.

This engagement is guided by the “Food Safety Science Community Engagement”

approach, which aims to enhance the contribution and involvement of the Arab Food Safety Science community, as a foundational element of reshaping the Food Safety regulatory and standard-setting requirements in the Arab region.

One key component under this initiative is the development of a platform entitled the “Arab Food Safety Scientists (AFSS) Platform”.

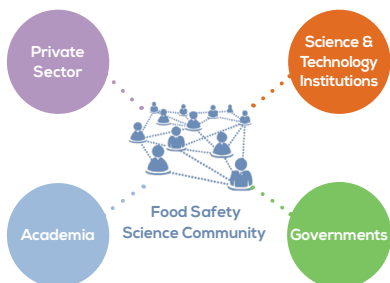
WHAT IS THE AFSS PLATFORM?

The AFSS Platform is a **web-based portal** bringing together Food Safety scientists of Arab-origin operating within the region and beyond.

The platform will tailor to a wide audience of stakeholders in the Arab region such as governments, universities, Science & Technology institutions, as well as the private sector, with the objective to provide a **facilitated access, reach, and communication** to a pool of Food Safety scientists across various fields and industries.

The platform will also provide stakeholders with a key opportunity to capitalize on **readily available expertise** in Food Safety Science research.

The AFSS Platform will be implemented in collaboration with national, regional, and international partners such as the Arab Science and Technology Foundation (ASTF), the Association of Arab Universities (AArU), and the International Life Science Institute (ILSI), to name a few.



The AFSS Platform will act as a gateway connecting governments, private sector, universities, and institutions, with the Food Safety Science Community.

BENEFITS FOR YOU AS A FOOD SAFETY SCIENTIST

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Connect with **other Food Safety Scientists** worldwide.
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Showcase your **scientific research, skills and expertise** in relevant scientific Food Safety areas.
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Get noticed by a **wide audience** of stakeholders such as governments, private sector companies in the Food industry, universities, and Science and Technology institutions.
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Capitalize on **collaboration opportunities** and contribute to the **advancement of Food Safety** in the Arab region.

Interested in becoming part of the Food Safety Science Community?

Register now by visiting the official AFSS Platform website:

<http://afssplatform.com/>



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