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Updates from FAO and WHO on scientific advice, capacity development and other activities related to the development and implementation of Codex texts

Dear Codex Members and Observers,

Scientific advice underpins Codex work and FAO and WHO work to ensure that Codex has access to independent high quality scientific advice to support its work. FAO and WHO also support the implementation of Codex texts through the provision of various tools, guidance, knowledge and capacity development support. In this message we provide some updates on the ongoing scientific advice work of FAO and WHO as well as other initiatives of both organizations that can support Codex Members and contribute to improving food safety and quality around the world.

WHO

[Workshop: New Approach Methodologies \(NAMs\) in Future Food Safety Risk Assessment](#)

WHO and Nanyang Technological University (NTU Singapore) will host a workshop on New Approach Methodologies (NAMs) in Future Food Safety Risk Assessment, from 18 to 20 June 2025 in Singapore.

The future of food safety and risk assessment is evolving rapidly with the emergence of New Approach Methodologies (NAMs). NAMs comprise in silico computational models, in vitro assays, omics technologies, and Adverse Outcome Pathways (AOPs). These technologies offer more accurate, human-relevant insights into exposure of chemical and biological hazards, while reducing animal testing. While NAMs have been established for alternative assessment on chemical and environmental risks, their regulatory integration remains slow, and their potential for novel foods remains explored.

This in-person workshop aims to bridge the gap between scientific innovation and regulatory frameworks, foster a global dialogue to advance the adoption and implementation of NAMs in chemical safety, and assess their current status and future prospects for novel foods.

To apply, complete the **online form** [here](#) by **2nd March 2025** (Geneva Time).

For more details, please visit the [event page](#).

Yours sincerely,

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