



Final Conference

Boosting Research and Joint Cooperation: an Agrifood System Snapshot

19 May 2022, Bucharest - Romania



09:00 - Welcome address

Răzvan Teodorescu, USAMV Bucharest, Rector
Petruța Cornea, Faculty of Biotechnology, USAMV Bucharest, Dean
Viorel Vulturescu, Ministry of Research, Innovation and Digitalization
Claudia Zoani, ENEA - METROFOOD-RI Coordinator



09:15 - 10:10 Opening Session: METROFOOD-PP overview

Chair: Viorel Vulturescu, Ministry of Research, Innovation and Digitalization

- The Infrastructure work program in Horizon Europe – sharing some perspectives | Jimena Arango Montanez, EC, Research Executive Agency
- METROFOOD-RI, its Preparatory Phase and next steps | Claudia Zoani, ENEA
- Science & Innovation Agenda | Michael Rychlik, TUM
- *Open discussion*

10:10-10:30 - Coffee break



10:30 - 12:00 Synergies and complementarities with European projects

Moderator: Nives Ogrinc, JSI

- FNS-Cloud | Paul Finglas, QIB
- FOODSAFET4EU | Nunzia Cito, CNR
- SIMBA | Anne Pihlanto, LUKE
- PROVIDE | Michael Rychlik, TUM
- iNEXT Discovery | Manfred Weiss, HZB
- ENRIITC | Anton Ussi, EATRIS Operations & Finance Director
- *Open discussion*

12:00-13:00 - Lunch break



13:00 - 14:45 Panel discussion: Agrifood system challenges and stakeholder needs

Moderator: Massimo Iannetta, ENEA - Head of Biotechnologies and Agroindustry Division

- Maria Fernandes-Whaley, National Metrology Institute of South Africa | Vincenzo Lenucci – Confagricoltura | Jonas Lazaro Mojica, ETP Food for Life | Betty Chang & Matteo Sabini, EUFIC | Sorin Mierlea, INFOCONS | Machiel Reinders, WUR - COMFOCUS coordinator
- *Open discussion*



14:45 - 15:00 Conclusions

Nastasia Belc, IBA General Director
Claudia Zoani, ENEA - METROFOOD-RI Coordinator

15:00 - Networking cocktail






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 Starting from the achievement of METROFOOD-PP project, with the goals and outcomes we set ourselves at supporting METROFOOD-RI to grow and move forward, the conference will represent the occasion to debate about the relevance of boosting research, cooperation, innovation, and stakeholder engagement in support to the agrifood.

The Conference will gather together representative of the scientific community and the relevant stakeholders of the agrifood system to discuss the main related challenges (with reference, e.g. to food quality & safety, traceability & transparency, digitalization, circular bioeconomy, sustainability and resilience) and share the point of view of both food businesses, covering primary production and food and drink industry, and consumers, even highlighting the importance of directly engaging all the different actors by applying multi-actor and co-creation approaches. Furthermore, the point of view of research and national metrology institutes will be considered, highlighting the importance of harmonization and standardization.



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 **Participation is free, registration required**

Organizing committee:

Nastasia Belc | Denisa Duta | Gabriel Mustatea | Luiza Pascal |
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<https://youtu.be/10CldBnFtyg>



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