

Food Safety is essential to every aspect of food availability.

Because the primary responsibility for food safety is with those that produce food, food safety is achieved when food producers – at every step of food production – follow requirements intended to prevent the introduction of hazards and ascertain that control measures are put in place to mitigate the risks that may result from the introduction of such hazards.

Food safety is also **enabled** through the approach utilized to implement a food control system, with the development and application of food regulatory measures that:

- Guide food producers.
- Level the playing field between food producers of different sizes, means.
- Create an environment of trust for consumers and the various actors of the food production system.

The Global Food Regulatory Science Society ([GFORSS](#)) considers it important to take part in efforts to increase food safety awareness by contributing to the celebration of World Food Safety Day.

Food Safety Decisions, particularly those made using a regulatory instrument, **cannot be made in arbitrary fashion**. They must be based on **Science and Evidence** supported by a robust decision-making process to ensure consistency and predictability.

A significant part of Food Regulatory Science is food safety. Promoting the availability of such science and enabling its generation and its dissemination is key to GFORSS mission success.

At GFORSS, our members and leaders are committed to contribute toward achieving food safety objectives – in collaboration with other partners and stakeholders – through increased investment in capacity building, sharing experiences and offering open access learning opportunities in various areas of food regulatory science.

We all aim that consumers worldwide have access to safe food products and that food producers enjoy a predictable, favorable and sustainable environment for the development of food production as a thriving economic and business activity supportive of human and economic development.

GFORSS is a disciplinary organization of the International Union of Food Science and Technology ([IUFOST](#)).