



GROUP DISCUSSION • 18 AUGUST 2025

Reviewing Items of Importance for CCASIA Members

Group 2: Areas of Priority Stemming from Codex Committee Work

Reviewing Priorities for Implementation by CCASIA of Codex Strategic Plan 2026-2031

The Group will aim to contribute to the preparation of the discussion planned at CCASIA23 with regards to the implementation of the Codex Strategic Plan 2026-31 and areas of relevance to CCASIA members. Input generated will feed into the development of a joint regional work plan aligned with the Codex Strategic Plan 2026–2031:

1. Among the four Strategic Goals of Codex (2026–2031), which specific outcomes (e.g., strengthening data availability, harmonization of national food control systems, leveraging Codex texts) are most relevant to your country's needs and to CCASIA needs overall?

- Goal 1: Responding to Members' needs (science-based standards).
- Goal 2: Enhancing Codex work management systems and practices.
- Goal 3: Strengthening relationships with international organizations.
- Goal 4: Increasing visibility and use of Codex standards.

2. Are there regional data gaps (e.g., contaminant levels, dietary exposure, consumption patterns) that hinder CCASIA members' contribution to Codex decision-making? If yes, what joint efforts could CCASIA initiate to address them?

3. What specific activities should CCASIA undertake (2025–2027) to support the implementation of the Codex Strategic Plan?

Examples:

- Regional studies or surveys.
- Training and capacity building on Codex/Risk Analysis.
- Development of regional positions and papers.
- Structured engagement with observers and stakeholders.

4. What mechanisms of coordination (e.g., work-sharing, expert groups, data platforms) would help CCASIA members collaborate more effectively?

5. What factors are critical to ensure the success of CCASIA-led activities?

Examples:

- Political support at national level.
- Technical expertise and training.
- Financial and logistical support.
- Partnerships with academia/industry/observers.
- Other (please specify).

6. How can we ensure that outcomes from CCASIA discussions are translated into practical regulatory improvements at the national level?