

# KEY OUTCOMES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 2025 ASIA CODEX AND FOOD REGULATORY FORUM

DAY 3\_ AUGUST 20, 2025

**Under the leadership of the Chair of**  
BAO/WHO CODEX COORDINATING COMMITTEE  
**CCASIA**

**BRIDGING  
SCIENCE  
INNOVATION  
AND POLICY**

**ASIA  
CODEX AND  
FOOD REGULATORY  
FORUM 2025**  
**Bangkok - Thailand**

- Reviewing the Codex Landscape  
18 AUGUST 2025
- Preparing for CAC48 & Supporting  
Food Innovation Through  
Regulatory Transformation  
19 AUGUST 2025
- Capacity Building  
& Next Steps  
20 AUGUST 2025

August  
18 - 20  
2025

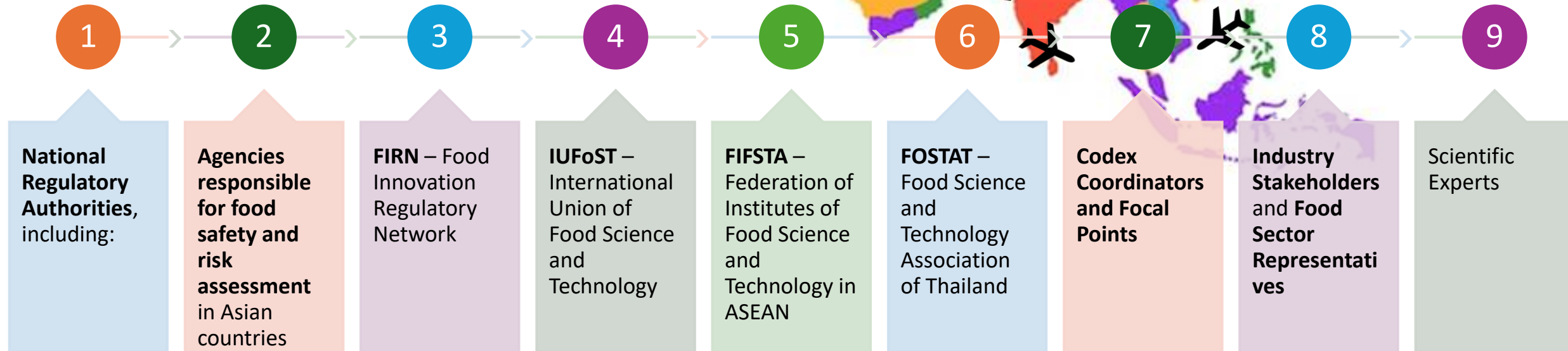
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Royal Orchid Sheraton  
Riverside Hotel Bangkok  
**BANGKOK - THAILAND**

# Forum Overview

Active engagement of around **80 participants** from  
**18 countries** across the Asia region

Broad representation from national Codex  
Contact Points and CCASIA member countries



# Forum Objectives



REVIEW CODEX  
COMMITTEE  
OUTCOMES AND  
THEIR REGIONAL  
IMPLICATIONS



DEFINE SHARED  
**REGIONAL  
PRIORITIES** FOR  
UPCOMING CODEX  
SESSIONS



EXPLORE  
**REGULATORY  
APPROACHES TO  
INNOVATION, FCMS  
AND UPF**

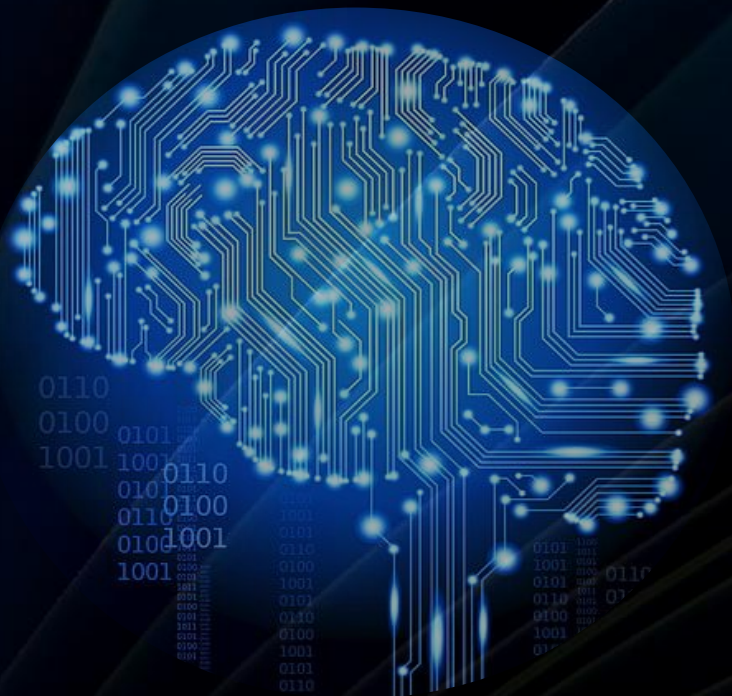


ENHANCE  
ENGAGEMENT WITH  
**STAKEHOLDER**  
ACROSS CCASIA  
COUNTRIES



DRAFT **JOINT  
RECOMMENDATIONS**  
FOR CCASIA23 AND  
CAC48

# Key Themes Addressed



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## **Codex Committee Updates**

- Review of outputs from CCEXEC, CCGP, CCCF18 and CCMA544
- Preparation for upcoming sessions: CCPR56, CCSCH8

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## **Allergen Labelling**

- Guidance under development on precautionary allergen labelling & Performance of allergen detection methodologies

03

## **Regulatory approach to food Innovation**

- Regional best practices for managing food innovation and role of Codex

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## **Food Contact Materials (FCMs)**

- Discussion of regulatory approaches for managing FCMs
- Options for potential Codex involvement

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## **Ultra-Processed Foods**

- Assessment of potential public health implications and regulatory approaches

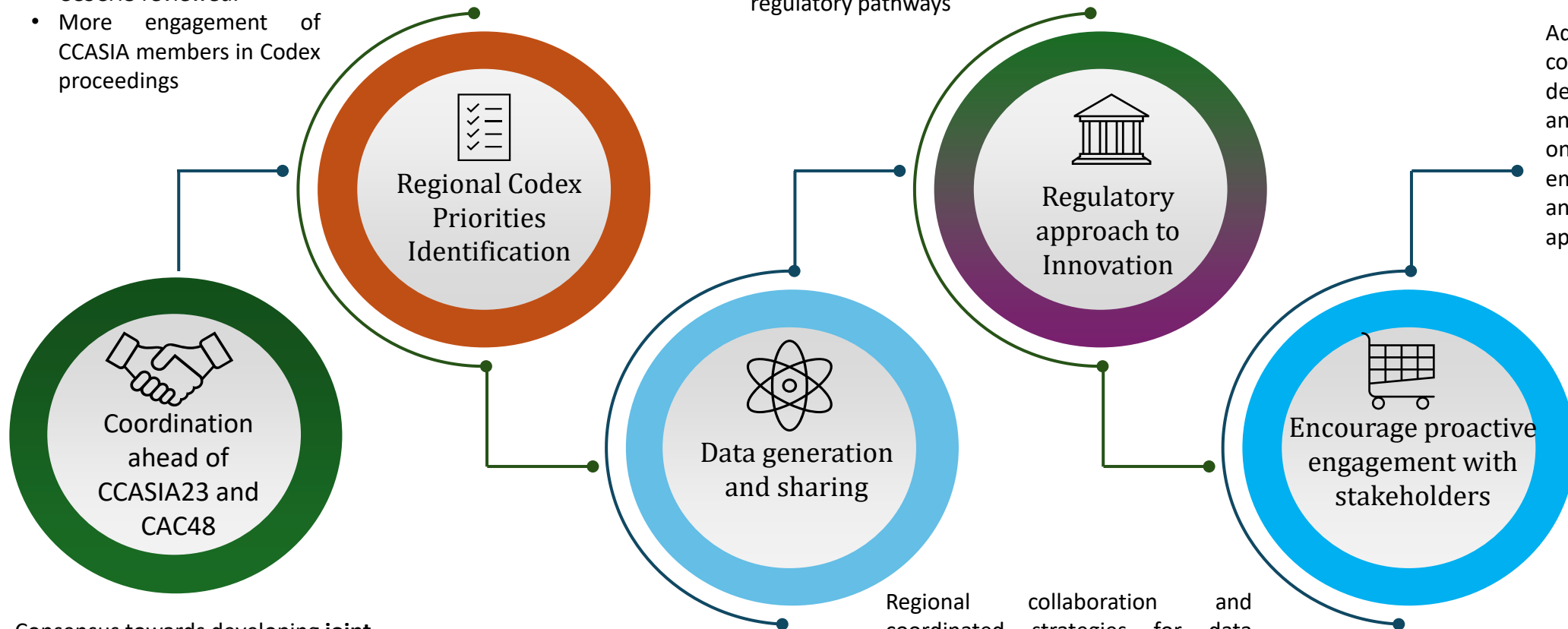
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## **Stakeholder Engagement & Regional Collaboration**

- Enhancing structured dialogue between national authorities, industry, Codex observers, and scientific organizations
- Strengthening regional cooperation ahead of CCASIA23 and CAC48

# Forum Outputs Summary

- Key outputs from CCCF18, CCMA544, CCPR56, and CCSCH8 reviewed.
- More engagement of CCASIA members in Codex proceedings



Consensus towards **agile, transparent, and science-based** regulatory pathways

Advancing Work , Foster continued dialogue on definitions, classification, and regulatory implications on NFs , FCMs UPFs. emphasizing science-based and culturally sensitive approaches.

- Consensus towards developing **joint submissions (discussion papers)** and advocacy strategies.

Regional collaboration and coordinated strategies for data collection (aflatoxins, Arsenic, etc.)



# Key Recommendations of the 2025 Asia Codex and Food Regulatory Forum



Consensus towards the Need for Enhanced:

- Capacity-Building
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Regional Coordination and Work-Sharing
- Aligned Advocacy Strategies



Towards CCASIA Guidelines on Regulatory Frameworks to oversee « **Novelty** »



Seek consensus on Codex approaches for management of **Food Contact Material**



Submission of a CRD to CCASIA23 to summarize Forum Outputs and Recommendations

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