

INFORMATION on SPS INITIATIVES at FAO

STDF WG, 21-22 November 2023

A. New FAO publications since July 2023

[FAO releases information about economic concerns and food safety](#)

[New publication about microbiological hazards in fresh fruits and vegetables](#)

[Food fraud – its impact on consumer trust and possible health consequences](#)

[Adding more thresholds scientifically, decreasing adverse reactions tangibly](#) – risk assessment of allergens in food, meeting report

[Cell-based food: a wide array of products in the pipeline](#)

B. Events

[Foresight in food safety featured at the World Food Forum](#)

[Experts look to the future for safety of new food production systems](#): From 13 to 17 November, technical experts from across the globe met in Rome at FAO to discuss the food safety implications for plant-based food products that mimic animal-derived foods, and products derived from precision fermentation and 3D food printing. The foresight component of the meeting engaged the participants in forward-thinking exercises that explored what the future landscape of new foods may look like.

C. Stakeholder meetings on new food production methods

[What's new in 2023? FAO meeting on cell-based food and precision fermentation](#)

On 6 November 2023, a stakeholder roundtable meeting was held in Shanghai, China, that discussed the latest development of cell-based food and precision fermentation, collecting insights and experiences from the developers and producers, so that relevant food safety considerations can be updated, contributing to effective risk assessment for competent authorities.