EFSA TMAs and IPA beneficiaries







IPA countries and TM activities:

- Being aware that there are benefits beyond training and capacity building:
- > EFSA's TMAs play a vital role in helping IPA countries develop and refine their risk assessment frameworks, enhancing their capacity to protect public health and ensuring alignment with European food safety standards



Networking Opportunities: EFSA's TMAs create platforms for professionals from IPA countries to connect with peers, experts, and key stakeholders across the EU, fostering a robust network for knowledge sharing and collaboration in buliding the foundational knowledge and technical skills required for developing effective RA processes in line with EU standards.



Collaborative Research Initiatives: TMAs allow countries to identify common research interests and develop joint research projects, enhancing their capabilities, innovative new approaches, and resources to address shared food safety challenges



Strengthening National Systems: EFSA's activities help countries align their practices with EU standards, improving the overall effectiveness of their national food safety systems. Through aligning with EU standards and practices, these activities help countries improve their national food safety systems and policies, enhancing public health protections



Participation in the EU's Food Safety Ecosystem: Engaging in EFSA's TMAs enable IPA countries to participate actively in the European food safety framework, gaining insights into EU methodologies, data collection processes, and risk assessment techniques.

This participation helps IPA countries enhance their regulatory frameworks, improve food safety standards, and better prepare for future EU membership.

IPA countries and TM activities – how to join

➡ Maximizing Value from EFSA Tailor-Made Activities (TMAs) Without Direct Funding:

Identify Opportunities:

Focus on contributing to noncore tasks (e.g., technical or administrative support) within TM activities. Engage with MS FP
Institutions: Connect with
Member State Focal Point
institutions to discuss potential
collaboration and
subcontracting

Subcontracting Request:

A request must be sent to EFSA for approval, accompanied by relevant documentation and descriptions of envisaged tasks.

Participation Without Subcontracting: Engage with TM activities by accessing shared materials, tools, and events, even without direct funding

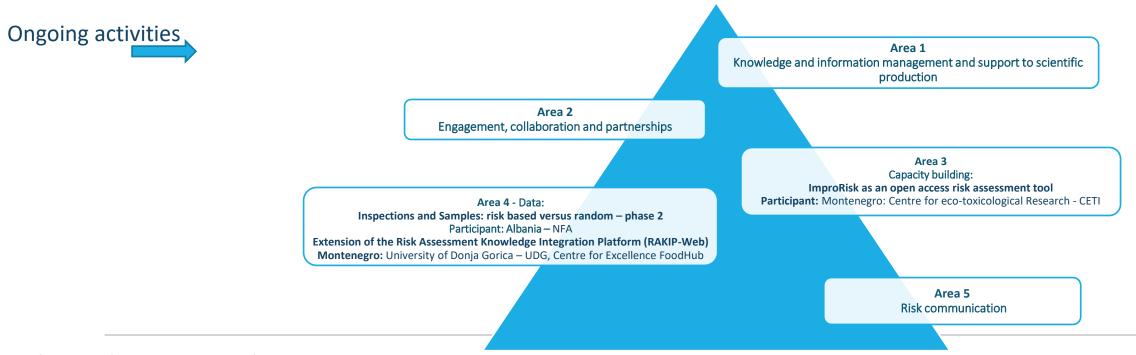
KEEP ALWAYS IN MIND:

Knowledge is a valuable resource and when it is shared, it will increase, and and it will become more poweful when it is applied.

Reporting:

Work with the MS FP institution to ensure your contributions are captured in final reports.

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Submitted TMA proposals 2024:

Albania and Montenegro have expressed interest in participating in the TMA One Health approach, proposed by the French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety and the Italian National Institute of Health.

This initiative aims to investigate Botulinum neurotoxin-producing bacteria contamination from farm to fork.

The Albanian Institute of Food Safety and Veterinary, along with the University of Donja Gorica's Centre of Excellence (FoodHub), have shown interest.

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Training Course on Dietary Exposure Assessment Model (BIKE) for Chemical and Microbiological Hazards,

Finnish Food Authority

<u>Participants</u>: Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia – 2023

Montenegro, Serbia and Bosnia-Herzegovina – 2024

Plant Health Webinars, Finnish Food Authority

Participant: Montenegro

More info webinar nematode and webinar NoBa

Training Workshop on the ImproRisk Model,
Cyprus National Laboratory

<u>Participants</u>: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, and Serbia

More info here



IPA Autumn School,

Croatian Agency For Agriculture And Food (HAPIH)

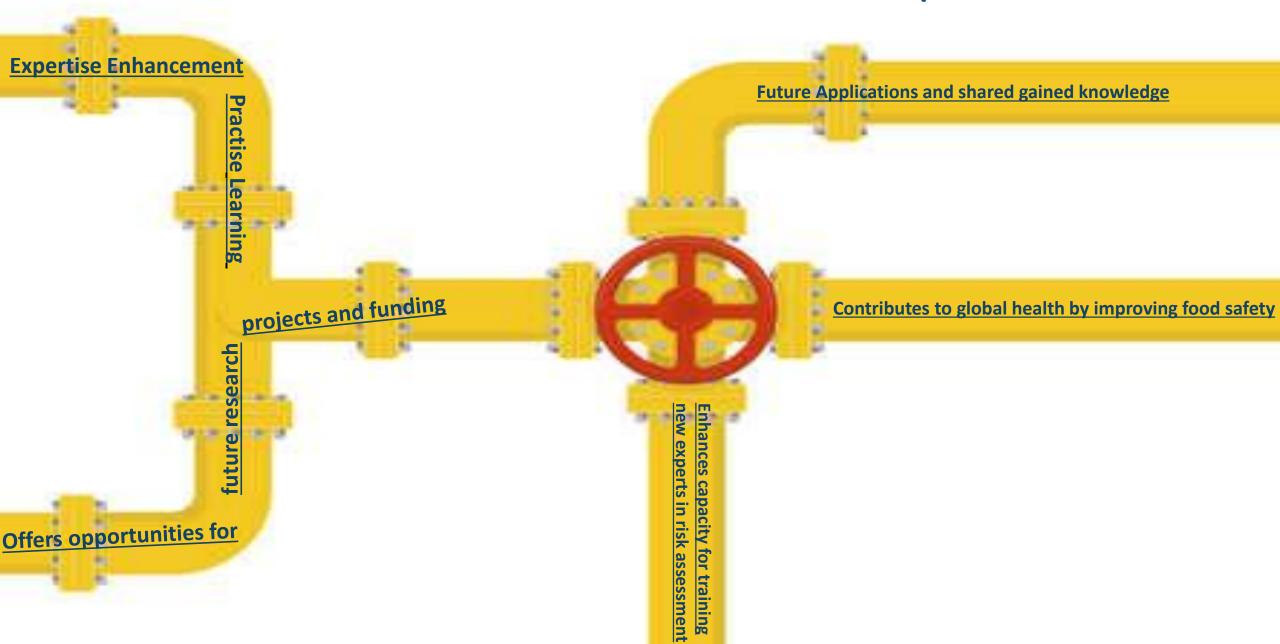
<u>Participants</u>: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, and Serbia

BfR World Food Safety Almanac,

German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment
(BfR)

<u>Participants</u>: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, and Türkiye

IPA countries and TM activities: within the Pipeline





THANK YOU

for

The Given Opportunities To Learn, Gain, and Improve and Be A Part Of Your Activities