



EUROPEAN FOOD
RISK ASSESSMENT
FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

Applications through the Funding & Tender
opportunities portal: The EU-FORA Call.

Follow-up session

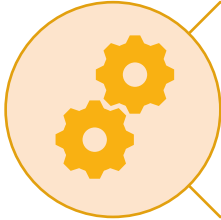
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Practical issues about this event



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The event will be recorded and recording made available
on the EFSA website



The Q&A box is enabled:

- Please use voting system 👍
- Similar questions will be grouped
- All questions will be answered, and replies made available on the EFSA website after anonymisation

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Why EU-FORA?



"Ensure preparedness for future risk analysis needs"
(EFSA Strategy 2027, Strategic Objective #2)

**Objectives
(EFSA Strategy 2020)**

Attracting mid-career professionals to become risk assessors through learning by doing



Increase the pool of experts available in Europe



Intensifying exchange and cooperation among national food agencies and EFSA



Stimulate MS involvement in the risk assessment work



Harmonising risk assessment methodologies & practices across Europe



Build a common EU culture for risk assessment



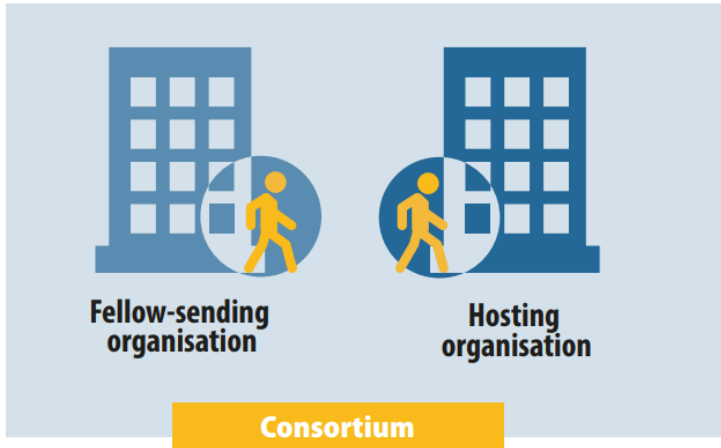
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(EFSA Strategy 2027)**

EU-FORA so far

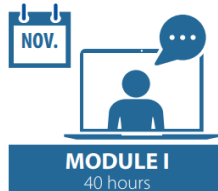
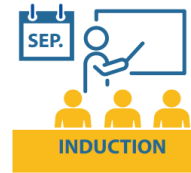
- 87 Alumni members
- 15 ongoing fellows
- 46 different hosting sites in 16 MS & UK
- Over 70 supervisors



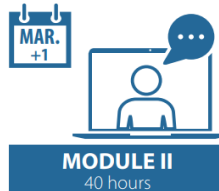
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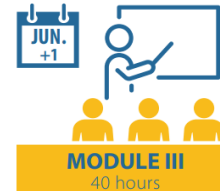
- ▶ The **fellow-sending organisation and the hosting organisation apply** to the fellowship programme **as a consortium**, identifying the fellow and proposing the programme.
- ▶ The **fellowship lasts for 12 months**, during which time the fellow is released from his/her regular tasks to follow a work programme offered by the hosting site.
- ▶ Although most of the work programme is followed remotely, around one third of the time will be spent at the hosting organisation **gaining first-hand experience**, with the aim of enhancing knowledge exchange and networking.



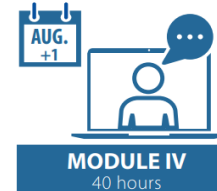
Risk assessment
of other food areas
GMOs, Plant Health, AHAW, Nutrition,
ERA and Regulated Products.



Emerging risks
in food risk assessment



Risk communication
and crisis response



Data collection
and reporting

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Call for proposals: EU-FORA cycle 2023-2024



Call launched 08/11/2022



Selection of hosting sites AND 15 fellows



Proposals deadline: 15/03/2023



Applications in **consortium** from two Art. 36 organisations from diff. MS, IS, NO.



Grant agreement duration September 2023-August 2024

Call for proposals: EU-FORA cycle 2023-2024



The hosting site is the leader of the consortium



€55,000 per consortium, per fellow, split between partners not prescribed by EFSA.



No need for justification of incurred cost



Work programme performed remotely with a 3-5 month stay at hosting site.



The fellow remains staff member of their organization: **no payment** from the hosting site to the fellow.

Use of EU Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal

EUBA-EFSA-2022-ENREL-02



Launched for the first time using the Funding and Tender Opportunities portal.



Hard copy paper applications will be refused. Only electronic applications using the [EU Funding and Tenders portal](#) will be accepted.



The Funding and Tender Opportunities portal includes a feature allowing for the [search of partners](#)

Next steps



One recorded session was held 20/12/22 to explain the call. A video recording of that session is available on the EFSA website.



Further information on steps, timelines and operation of the EU-FORA Programme can be found on [EFSA's website](#).



For further questions on the Call, please refer to

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- EU-FORA@efsa.europa.eu



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