



Monday 8 June 2026, Liebefeld

## **Innovation CATALYSEs Food Safety Bridging Science & Practice**

### **World Food Safety Day**

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# Innovation CATALYSEs Food Safety – Bridging Science & Practice



The transformation of scientific discovery into a robust, effective food safety system requires more than research; it requires a bridge to practice. Hosted by Agroscope, one of the 17 key partners in the EU project CATALYSE, the World Food Safety event is dedicated to turning innovations into impacts by fostering direct dialogue between those who innovate and those who implement innovations.



The CATALYSE project, launched in 2024, redefines collaboration by turning a network into an engine for real-world impact, ensuring that all food safety actors can thrive.



This gathering is more than a conference: it is an invitation to join a community dedicated to accelerating the adoption of novel solutions. Together, we will explore how to build a more resilient, sustainable, and equitable food system, ensuring safety across the entire food chain, from farm to fork.

## Event

- **Bridging the gap:**  
Explore how to connect scientific discoveries with real-world applications.
- **Cutting-edge research:**  
Gain insights into breakthrough research and innovations.
- **Accelerating meaningful change:**  
Join a cross-sector dialogue between industry, science, and policy to foster systemic progress.



## Target audience

Professionals from industry, start-ups, and research; representatives from associations, public administration, policy-making, and specialised media.

## Language

English

## Venue and time

Campus Liebefeld  
Schwarzenburgstrasse 153  
3003 Bern

Monday, June 8, 2026  
From 8:30 to 17:30

## Registration



Free of charge  
(limited capacity)

[Website](#)

# Programme

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Campus Liebefeld, Schwarzenburgstrasse 153, 3003 Bern

08:30 Registration & Coffee

## From Vision to Action – Building a Culture of Food Safety

09:00 Welcome and Introduction Agroscope Corinne Jud Khan, Head of Agroscope

09:20 CATALYSing Food Safety Innovations Isabelle Guelinckx, ILSI Europe, BE

09:50 **Keynote**  
Complex Global Food Environment, Food Safety and Nutrition Awilo Ochieng Pernet, FSVO

10:20 Coffee Break

## Science in Action – Exploring New Frontiers in Food Safety *Moderator: Helena Stoffers, Agroscope*

10:50 From Fermentation to Forecasting: The New Food Safety Toolbox Helena Stoffers, Agroscope

11:00 Fermentation against *B. cereus* in Plant-Based Foods Verena Looser, Agroscope

11:20 Targeted Protective Cultures for Cheese Emmanuelle Arias, Agroscope

11:40 Biological Destruction of the Forever Chemicals PFAS Fabienne Kurt, CellX Biosolutions

12:00 Predictive Microbiology for Safer Food Cristina Serra-Castelló, Wageningen University & Research, NL

12:30 Lunch Break

## From Vision to Action – Building a Culture of Food Safety

14:00 **Keynote**  
Bridging Science and Practice in Food Safety Raquel Medeiros, Nestlé

## Innovation in Action – Transforming Research into Practical Solutions *Moderator: Jan Biehl, Swiss Food Research*

14:30 Innovation Fails in Isolation Jan Biehl, Swiss Food Research

14:45 CATALYSE Community of Practice (CoP) Diana R. Fonseca, Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Porto, PT

15:00 Transforming Food Safety Culture with Rapid Tests Mario Hupfeld, NEMIS Technologies

15:20 Streamlining Microbial Genomics for Fermentation Thomas Roder, Abrinca Genomics

15:40 Coffee Break

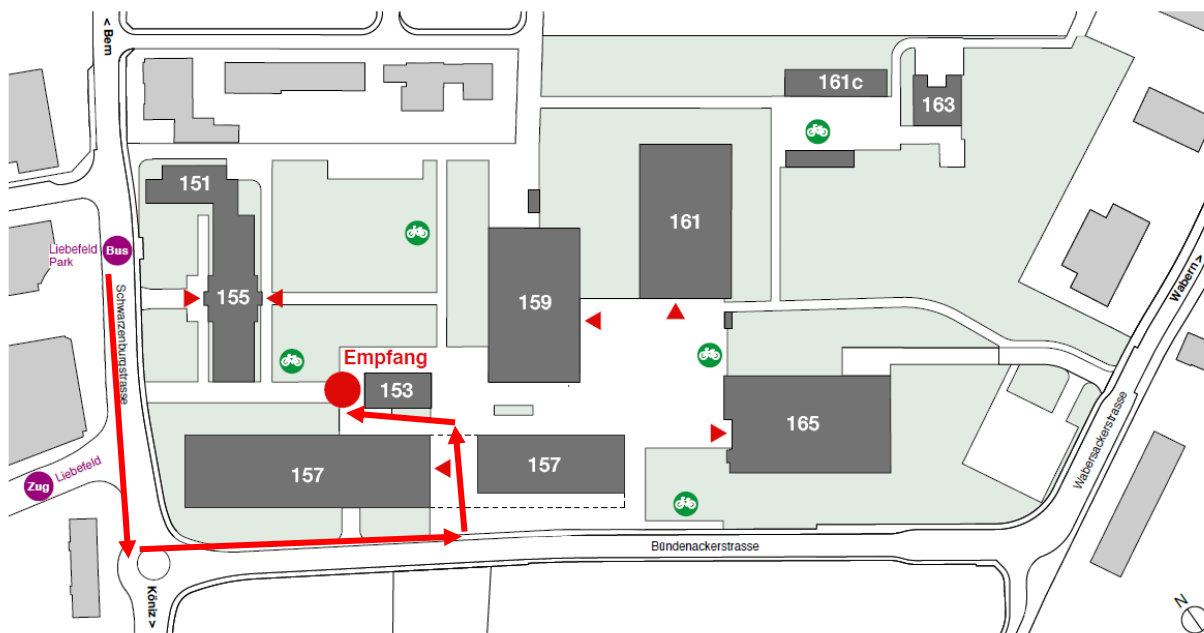
## Future in Action – Co-Creating Tomorrow's Safe Food Systems *Moderator: Fabian Wahl, Agroscope*

16:10 Introduction Fabian Wahl, Agroscope

16:20 Roundtable Discussion  
Mark Stauber, FSVO  
Olivier Robin, Nestlé  
Karola Krell, Food Lex  
Mario Hupfeld, NEMIS Technologies


17:20 Closing Remarks Fabian Wahl, Agroscope

# Venue Plan



Orientierung Gäste

## Campus Liebefeld

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