

IMPROVING FOOD SAFETY PRACTICE IN MEAT SECTOR "AN INNOVATIVE E-LEARNING" APPROACH

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European Union's primary concern is to improve the health and well being of European citizens through higher quality and safe food. Taken into account this priority, there is a strong need to follow up the new technologies in food safety sector and update the knowledge on new and changing EU legislations. To fulfill this need, there should be an integrated and sustainable training module based on the demands of each country and EU legislation. However there is no such an online training specialized for food safety in meat sector covering these needs, so SAFEMEAT_EU project will aim to promote e-learning applications in EU as an example of easy learning. SAFEMEAT_EU Project is an innovative e-learning program focusing on meat sector that is planned to be piloted across all European Union countries. SAFEMEAT_EU aims to enhance the qualifications and skills of meat sector workers and experts-trainers to make all meat and poultry processors compatible with and conforming to the present EU regulations on food safety. To achieve this, one candidate and three European member countries participated in the project to share their knowledge and experience on food safety issues and e-learning technology. To reward their endeavor the EU decided to fund the project through the European Program "Leonardo da Vinci" (2013-1-TR1-LEO05-47583). The training program will be developed by a pan European committee of top professionals as to bring about a state of the art curriculum. The effects of the program will be measured by evaluation questionnaires and surveys.

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