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International Training for Safer Food

4th BVL/MRI Course on Food Safety, Food Authenticity and Risk Management
14–16 March 2022 – respectively 17–19 March 2022 (Online)

PROGRAMME DAY 1

Monday 14.03.2022	Thursday 17.03.2022	
		Introduction <i>Chair Martine Püster, Head of International Affairs Unit, BVL</i>
14:00–14:10	07:00–07:10	Welcome to ITS Food 2022! Welcome to BVL and MRI! Friedel Cramer, President of BVL, Videos
14:10–14:20	07:10–07:20	Opening remarks Markus Schick, Head of Department Food Safety, Animal Health, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture, BMEL
14:20–14:30	07:20–07:30	Approach and organisation of ITS Food <i>Chair</i>
14:30–14:40	07:30–07:40	Warm-up: Triad of food safety, food security, food authenticity Georg Schreiber, Head of Food Safety Department, BVL
14:40–14:45	07:40–07:45	Coffee Break
		Discovering BVL and MRI <i>Chair Detlef Bartsch, Head of Department Genetic Engineering and other Biotechnological Processes, BVL</i>
14:45–15:15	07:45–08:15	Keynote speech: Ensuring approval/ authorisation procedures – one main focus of BVL Friedel Cramer, President of the BVL



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Keynote speech: Research mandate of MRI

Pablo Steinberg, President of the MRI

15:45–16:10

08:45–09:10

Break

Tools of Risk Management in Official Controls

Chair Georg Schreiber, Head of Food Safety Department, BVL

16:10–16:35

09:10–09:35

**Basics: Legal and institutional background of food safety
in Germany and Europe**

Niklas Schulze Icking, Head of Unit for Strategy and Coordination
of Department 3, International Food Safety Policy,
Digitalisation in Department 3, Bureaucracy Reduction, BMEL

16:35–17:00

09:35–10:00

**Federal Control Plan – a programme for risk based
official controls in Germany**

Ina Schneider, Unit for Monitoring Strategy and Coordination, BVL

17:00–17:15

10:00–10:15

Coffee Break

17:15–17:45

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**Monitoring of zoonotic agents along the food chain
as a risk management tool**

Klaus Lorenz, Head of Unit for Food Hygiene, Inspections,
Veterinary Affairs, BVL



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G@ZIELT – Control of online sales of food

Stefanie Thomanek, Unit for Control of Food, Feed, Cosmetics,
Consumer Products and Tobacco Products traded on the Internet

Importance of Data Management and Data Analysis

Chair Ramona Lichtenthäler, Head of Group Strategic Management, BVL

18:15–18:45

11:15–11:45

Managing official controls data

Eva Scharfenberg, Head of Unit for Data Analysis and Reporting, BVL

18:45–19:15

11:45–12:15

Challenges for the implementation of national analytical databases including biostatistical tools – first results of two case studies

Andreas Gadelmeier and Maik Döring, Unit Bioinformatics
and Biostatistics, NRZ-Authent, MRI

19:15–19:35

12:15–12:35

Q&A and discussion day 1

All speakers of day 1

19:45

12:45

Social Event



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Introduction

Warm-up, wrap-up and outlook

Fighting against Food Fraud & ensuring Food Authenticity Part I

Chair Andrea Pahne, Unit for Food Control, Crisis Management, BMEL

Food fraud control from the management's point of view

Florian Riedel, Unit for Crisis Management, Food Fraud, BVL

Food authenticity from the official food control laboratory's point of view

Jan Teipel, Laboratory Head NMR, Baden-Württemberg
State Chemical and Veterinary Laboratory Karlsruhe

Coffee Break

The National Reference Centre for Authentic Food — current activities

Ilka Haase, Head of the National Reference Centre for Authentic Food
(NRZ-Authent), MRI

Current methodology in food authenticity testing: an introduction to the NRZ-Authent working groups

NRZ-Authent Team, MRI



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Break 1

Fighting against Food Fraud & ensuring Food Authenticity Part II

Chair Stefan Engert, Coordinator NRZ-Authent, MRI

Operation OPSON as initiation for successful inter-agency cooperation
Sandra Bornkessel, Unit Crisis Management, Food Fraud, BVL

**NRZ-Authent laboratory cooperation within
Operation OPSON IX and X – presentation of two case studies**
Kristina Kappel, Unit DNA-based Food Authenticity,
NRZ-Authent, MRI

Coffee Break

Food Authenticity Topics in the § 64 LFGB working groups of the BVL

Sabine Kemmlein, Head of Official Collection of Analytical Methods
Office and General Affairs Unit, BVL

**Importance of reference material for a reliable method validation
for official control methods –
presentation of two case studies**

Regina Klapper, Unit DNA-based Food Authenticity,
NRZ-Authent, MRI



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Break 2

Fighting against Food Fraud & ensuring Food Authenticity Part III

Chair Oliver Frandrup-Kuhr, BVL

19:00–19:30

12:00–12:30

Early warning systems for food fraud alerts – regional and national activities

Britta Müller, Head of Early Warning System, Institute for Food Safety Planning and Control, Bavarian Health and Food Safety Authority

19:30–20:00

12:30–13:00

Food fraud – current issues and cases in the EU information systems

Ibo Gaden, Unit for Crisis Management, Food Fraud, BVL

20:00–20:15

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Q&A and discussion day 2

All speakers of day 2



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Virtual Visit of BVL's Laboratories

*Chair Petra Gowik, Head of Department Method Standardisation,
Reference Laboratories, Resistance to Antibiotics, BVL*

The tasks of the EURL using the example of phenylbutazone in Horsemeat

Joachim Polzer, Head of EURL for Residues, BVL

Virtual lab round tour: residues and contaminants

Teams of the EURL for Residues and the NRL for Residues
from Pharmacologically Active Substances

Virtual lab round tour: pesticides

Team of the NRL for Pesticide Residues

Coffee Break

Trend developments from antimicrobial resistance monitoring of the BVL

Heike Kaspar, Head of Unit for Monitoring of Resistance
to Antibiotics, BVL



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Virtual lab round tour: GMO and antimicrobial resistance

Teams of the NRL for Genetically Modified Organisms
and the National Monitoring of Resistance to Antibiotics

Virtual lab round tour: heavy metals and process contaminants

Teams of the NRL for Metals and Nitrogen Compounds and the
NRL for Process Contaminants

Break 1

Food Safety Alert and Information Systems in Practice

Chair Jan Hoffbauer,

Head of Unit for Alert and Information System; BVL

European food safety alert and information systems – yesterday, today, tomorrow

Jan Baele, Food Hygiene and Fraud Unit, Directorate-General
for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

Meet BVL's RASFF experts

Navina Drechsler, Christine Schweigel, Gregor Wengler,
Unit for Alert and Information Systems, BVL



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Joint discussion and exchange of experience

Stefan Laacke, Unit for Alert and Information Systems, BVL

Break 2

Prevention, Incident & Crisis Management

Chair Andreas Plischke, Official Controls Unit, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

Watching and warning systems for crisis prevention

Thomas Schewe, Unit for Foodborne Outbreaks, Prevention and Crisis Unit Office, BVL

Foodborne diseases — from local outbreaks to national crises

Natalie Becker, Unit for Foodborne Outbreaks, Prevention and Crisis Unit Office, BVL

Coffee Break

Getting to know the crisis management system in Europe and Germany: quick motion case study

Florian Kuhlmeier, Press Office, and Bärbel Jansen, Unit for Crisis Management, Food Fraud, BVL



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Conclusion Day 3

*Chair Petra Gowik and Jan Hoffbauer, BVL, and
Andreas Plischke, European Commission*

Q&A and discussion day 3

All speakers of day 3

End of ITS Food 2022

Closing remarks ITS Food 2022