

From the field to the plate, IQNet Partners help ensure food safety worldwide

Bern, 26 February 2019 – As the world convenes for the Global Food Safety Initiative in Nice, France this week, IQNet is also celebrating the contribution of IQNet Partners in ensuring food safety and security from policy making to delivery of certification services.

Three quarters of IQNet Partners located in many parts of the world are providing FSSC certifications from animal feed, primary production, food manufacturing, food packaging transport and storage, retail, to catering. The FSSC 22000 Food Safety System Certification provides a framework for effectively managing food safety and quality responsibilities. The scheme demonstrates a company has a robust and effective food safety management system (FSMS) in place to meet the requirements of regulators, food business clients and consumers.

With the thorough knowledge of the needs of the market, IQNet Partners are also active in liaison activities to actively support FSSC 22000 activities. IQNet is a voting member in the FSSC Board of Stakeholders through the representation of Sied Sadek, DQS. The Board of Stakeholders is responsible for the discussion and approval of main strategies, policies, and criteria. Wolfgang Leger-Hillebrand of Quality Austria on the other hand belongs to the Advisory committee, mandated to make recommendations technical aspects, audits, guidance documents, scope and scheme revisions.

The IQNet Representatives to the FSSC are guided by the position harmonized by 15 IQNet Partners which compose the working group established within the network.

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About IQNet

IQNet - The International Certification Network has been active since 1990, with 36 Partner certification bodies and with more than 200 subsidiaries worldwide. Each of these IQNet Partners is a leader in their region; and collectively through IQNet represents the most extensive and reputable network of certification bodies. IQNet Headquarters is based in Bern, Switzerland.