

13th BfR-Summer Academy 2025

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The 13th BfR-Summer Academy from experts to experts will focus on food safety and appropriate risk assessment.

The first BfR-Summer Academy was held in 2012. In the last 13 years more than 1000 participants from over 70 different countries took part in this professional training. The 13th BfR-Summer Academy will be open to participants from public institutes engaged in risk assessment of food. Its learning objectives are that participants

- will be made familiar with the concept of food safety with a focus on Germany and Europe, particularly with regard to risk assessment and risk communication
- gain a sound understanding of hazard and exposure assessment within the risk assessment process, and understand the requirements for data generation and data collection
- gain knowledge in conducting risk assessment and risk communication
- are capable of interpreting results of exposure calculation, including the assessment of data quality and uncertainty

Theoretical background and interactive workshops will be given to train participants on risk assessment and risk communication in food safety.

Curriculum

- Introduction to risk assessment
- Exposure assessment, data quality and statistics
- Assessment of chemical risks
- Risk communication
- Assessment of microbial risks in food

Requirements of participation

The language of the 13th BfR-Summer Academy is English and we aim to have a Summer Academy on expert level. Please ask yourself if you fulfil the following requirements:

- You work at a public institution.
- You have an academic background in biology, chemistry, medicine, veterinary medicine, toxicology or other relevant disciplines.
- You have already comprehensive professional experience in risk assessment analysis.
- You have a very good command of the English language (equivalent to the Cambridge Certificate in Advanced English [CAE] or TOEFL®).
- You have a basic knowledge of statistics.

Speakers

Our speakers are well known experts from the German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment and partners. Each lecture will conclude with an opportunity for questions to our speakers. The interactive workshops are designed in such a way that there is enough time for group work and questions.

Organisational information

Venue

The 13th BfR-Summer Academy will take place at:
BfR location Marienfelde
Diedersdorfer Weg 1
12277 Berlin
room D146
<u>Directions</u>

Organiser

German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment Max-Dohrn-Straße 8-10 10589 Berlin, Germany <u>bfr.bund.de/en</u>

Fees

Fees for the two-week BfR-Summer Academy including lunch, coffee breaks, welcome dinner and social event are 550 Euro.

Registration

Please apply online by March 16, 2025: https://akademie.bfr.berlin/789371

General contact

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About the BfR

The German Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR) is a scientifically independent institution within the portfolio of the German Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL). It advises the Federal Government and the federal states ("Laender") on questions of food, chemicals and product safety. The BfR conducts its own research on topics that are closely linked to its assessment tasks.

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