

Successful conclusion of the 11th BfR Summer Academy

BfR supports scientific exchange for safe food on a global level

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The 11th BfR Summer Academy has ended on a positive note. This year, 32 participants from 20 countries successfully dealt with the main topics of risk assessment and risk communication while networking with each other. Under the motto "from experts for experts", the focus was on strengthening the scientific exchange for safe food on a global level.

So far, more than 1,000 participants from over 90 countries have benefited from the series of events.

The BfR Summer Academy is a professional training on risk assessment and risk communication in the field of food safety that has been taking place since 2012. The target group includes scientists from governmental organisations who are involved in the topics of food and feed safety.

The two-week course provides theoretical and practical knowledge on risk characterisation, exposure assessment and an introduction to the field of risk communication. In addition to the theory and practice of risk assessment, the BfR Summer Academy also teaches and trains the importance of communicating risks to different target groups.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Summer Academy had to be conducted online from 2020 to 2022. This year, the event was once again held in Berlin, Germany.

Further Information on the BfR website about the Summer Academy

https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/press_information/2023/12/strengthen_global_scientific_exchange_for_food_safety-311638.html

<https://www.bfr-akademie.de/english/archive/2023/11th-bsa-2023.html>

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