

IFIS 2027 GAINS MOMENTUM AS PFiP JOINS FORCES TO STRENGTHEN GLOBAL COLLABORATION

The International Food Ionizing Processing Symposium is proud to announce that IFIS 2027 is officially heading to the heart of Brazil. Scheduled for Q4 2027 in Campinas.

WHAT IS IFIS?

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TECHNOLOGY FOR THE FUTURE

Since its inception by Alain Strasser and Thomas Servais, IFIS has evolved from a visionary idea into a key international symposium for the sector. IFIS was created with a clear ambition: to bring together all stakeholders across the food value chain—from researchers and technology providers to producers, retailers, and institutions—to better understand industry needs and explore how ionizing technologies can respond to them.

It is the definitive space where the "Who's Who" of the industry converges to unlock the potential of electron beam, X-ray, and gamma irradiation in the food industry. With a legacy of success in France (2021), the USA (2023), and most recently China (2025), IFIS has established itself as a primary catalyst for the adoption of safe, sustainable, and non-thermal food solutions worldwide.

LOOKING AHEAD: IFIS 2027

Building on this success, the next edition, **IFIS 2027** will bring together around 200 participants from more than 30 countries. The objective is to further expand the conversation, notably by engaging fresh producers and food manufacturers, and fostering a collaborative, community-driven environment.

To this end, the inaugural Program Committee meeting was held on February 12th. The session included the full committee, which this year features a diverse range of institutions, including Amazul (Brazil), Aerial (France), Steritech (Australia), Texas A&M (US), 3Rays (China), Abrafrutas (Brazil), ABIAM (Brazil), and IBA (Belgium). Notably, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and the Phytosanitary and Food Irradiation Platform (PFIP).

A POWERFUL PARTNERSHIP: PFiP AND IFIS MERGE EFFORTS

To further strengthen the global ecosystem, the Phytosanitary and Food Irradiation Platform (PFiP) has officially joined forces with IFIS. This strategic alignment is designed to bridge the gap between phytosanitary expertise and food safety innovation, creating a unified global front.

PFiP represents the evolution of the former Phytosanitary Irradiation Platform (PsIP). While PsIP was initially focused solely on phytosanitary irradiation applications (such as pest control in agricultural trade), PFiP expands this scope to fully integrate food irradiation applications, creating a broader and more inclusive platform.

The objective of PFiP is to:

- Bridge phytosanitary and food irradiation communities
- Promote knowledge sharing and best practices
- Support the global development and acceptance of irradiation technologies

TOWARD A STRONGER GLOBAL ECOSYSTEM

The integration of PFiP into IFIS marks a key step forward, aligning efforts to accelerate adoption, drive innovation, and reshape perceptions of ionizing technologies. With **IFIS 2027** preparations already underway and collaboration in motion, a more connected global community is taking shape to support the future of the food industry.