

ASAE – Economic and Food Safety Authority
launches public tender with international publicity for the
technological reinforcement of food control, as part of the project
ID CRISIS - National capacity building for food crisis response

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The ***ID CRISIS Project - National Capacity Building for Food Crisis Response*** - has direct impacts on market surveillance, detection of illicit activities, including food fraud operating on a global scale and public health protection in the framework of research on foodborne diseases, as well as effective detection of contaminants in food, enabling the national response to an effective crisis circumscription and anticipation of emerging risks.

ID CRISIS, disclosed virtually during the 15th anniversary celebrations of ASAE, is based on a global and synergetic dynamic using artificial intelligence technologies & tools that allow benchmarking of results in the context of European Big Data on food safety and public health, materializing the spirit of modernisation and capacity building of Public Administration.

A technological reinforcement is being carried out at the *LSA- Laboratório de Segurança Alimentar* (LSA-Food Safety Laboratory) that promotes the integration of sequencing and authenticity metadata networks, as well as the co-production of data enhanced by the detection of additives and emerging contaminants in food. Through investment in innovative methodologies that increase the effectiveness of control, public health and consumer protection are guaranteed, at the same time as State spending on the health of citizens is reduced.

This strengthens consumer rights and empowers companies in their resilience to adverse events. The ability to anticipate critical situations throughout the food chain is accelerate in order to mitigate risk and its impact on consumer health, while taking care to maintain confidence in business.

The importance of effective control of food safety, with direct influence both on public health and on the credibility of business activity in a global economy, is becoming all too evident.

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