

Dear Sirs,

Hereby we announce, that the EIT Food Government Executive Academy **application deadline has been extended until 5<sup>th</sup> of April.**

The EIT Food Government Executive Academy 2020 will bring together 34 public sector representatives from 28 RIS countries with experts working in the field of agri-food innovations from industry, academia and European institutions.

The meeting is planned to take place between 17th and 19th of June 2020 in Warsaw, Poland, **now is being considered to be held in an online classroom amid current international travel and security restrictions.**

The Academy graduates will be given a unique collaborative experience in the EU operating standards, provided with high-level personal contacts covering a large area of Europe, but above all ensured with specific expertise **officially certified at the end of the course.**

There is **no tuition fee** and possible participants travel and personal costs will be reimbursed (up to the level of €1,000 gross refunded after the event in accordance with EIT/Horizon 2020 rules).

The Academy is a special advisory and capability building program that offers insights into challenges related to food system innovations, Research and Innovation Smart Specialisation Strategies and regulations.

We believe that by gaining an experience-based knowledge directly from experts in the field participants will strengthen the innovation eco-systems in their countries, increase success rates of new product launches to leverage the benefits of public funding distributed for Research & Innovations and reinforce the internationalization of their home countries agri-food companies.

The EIT Food Government Executive Academy is an opportunity to share good practices, benefit from lessons learned from other countries and participate in an international network of policy experts involved in the updates of RIS3 and the development of the future operational programs based on European Structural and Investment Funds, 2021–2027.

The applications should be sent at <https://apply.eitfood.eu/courses/course/52-certificate-eit-food-government-executive-academy>

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The Academy is delivered by the University of Warsaw and the European Institute of Innovation & Technology represented by EIT Food CLC North-East and EIT Food CLC South with a group of scientific and industrial partners: VTT, Danone and PepsiCo.

Read more by visiting our new website: <http://timo.wz.uw.edu.pl/gea/>

Yours faithfully,  
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