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Future-ready food safety hub launched to build Singapore's capabilities



Nanyang Technological University (NTU Singapore), in partnership with the Singapore Food Agency (SFA) and the Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR) officially launched the Future Ready Food Safety Hub (FRESH) hosted at NTU on 27 April.

Witnessed by Ms Grace Fu, Minister for Sustainability and the Environment, NTU Preside Professor Subra Suresh, A*STAR Chairman Ms Chan Lai Fung and SFA Chairman Mr Lim the FRESH collaboration agreement was signed by NTU Senior Vice President (Research) Lam Khin Yong, A*STAR CEO Mr Frederick Chew, and SFA CEO Mr Lim Kok Thai at the opening of the Food Science and Technology Global 2021 (FST Global 2021) conference.

FRESH is set up to drive food safety research for 'Food Safety Science & Innovation' under the Singapore Food Story (SFS) R&D Programme. It is also tasked with helping build local food science capabilities in support of Singapore's growing food innovation ecosystem.

As a platform for collaboration across institutions and disciplines, FRESH will provide new safety support and complement existing efforts under the Singapore Food Story. FRESH will bridge multiple disciplines, which include food science, microbiology, chemistry, toxicology, engineering, and communication sciences and will work with government, academia, and industry stakeholders to build a unique collaborative tripartite R&D platform.