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# EFSA

## Trusted science for safe food

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Trusted science for safe food

## Science, safe food, sustainability



*Protecting consumers, animals, plants and the environment  
through independent and transparent scientific advice  
on risks in the food chain from farm to fork*

Excellence

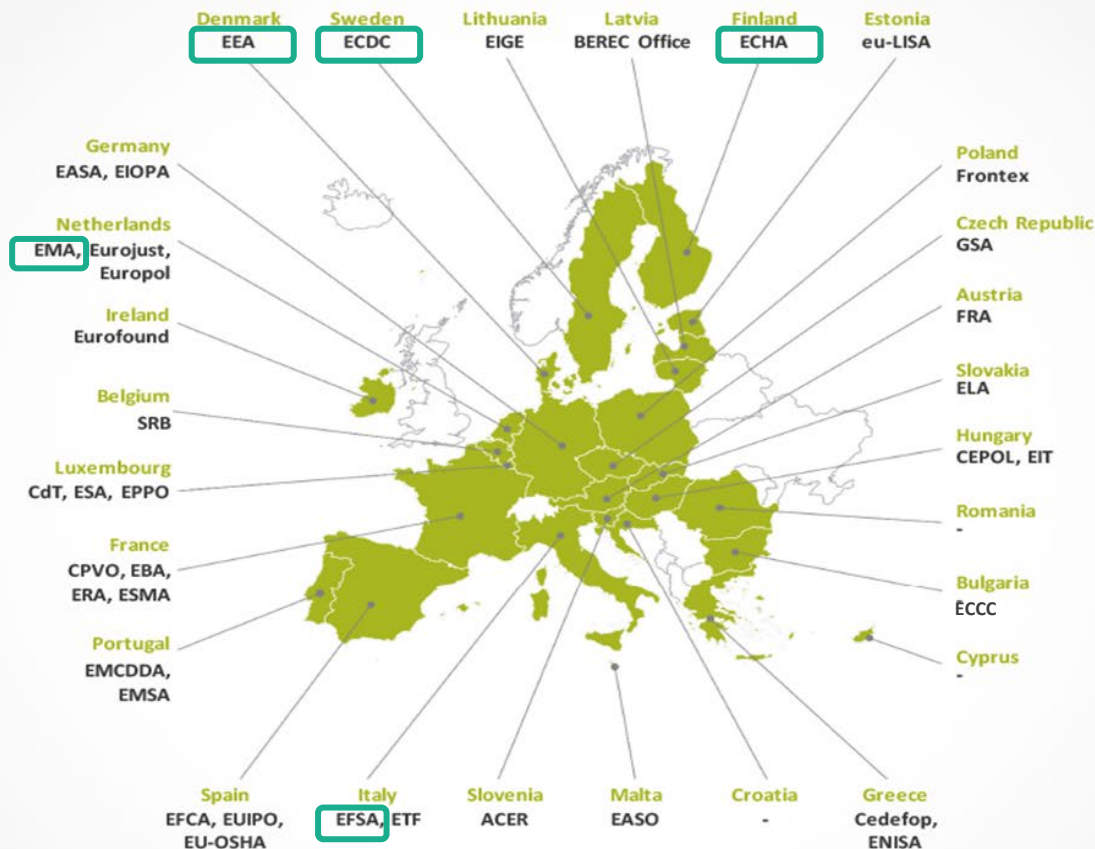
Independence

Openness

Accountability

Cooperation

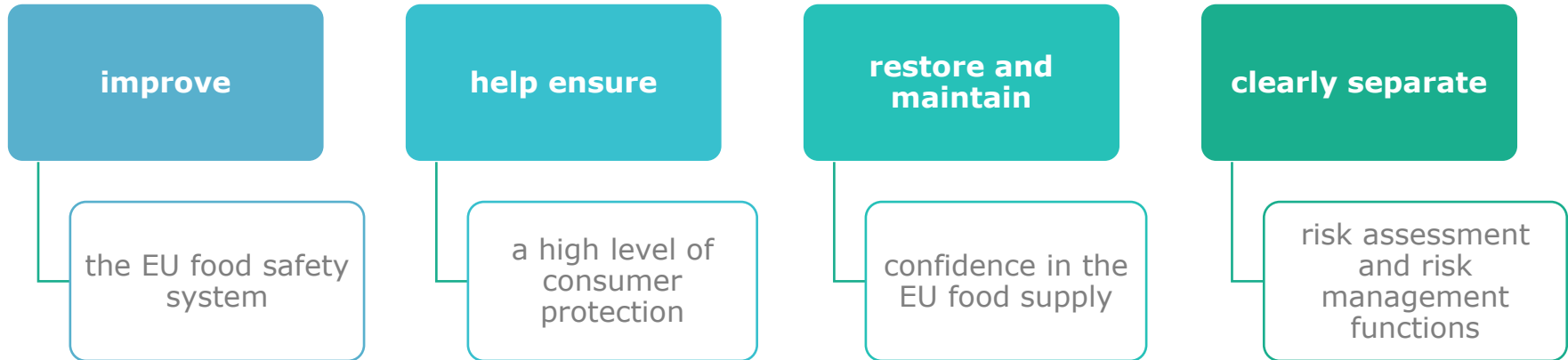
# EU Decentralised Agencies



Legend

EU Sister  
Agencies

EFSA was established under **EU law in 2002** following a series of food crises as part of a programme to:



**EU Food Law (Regulation (EC) No 178/2002)**

**EU food law sectoral legislation (e.g. regulations on flavourings, pesticides, plant health, food contact materials, etc.)**

# Our partners



**Individual  
experts**



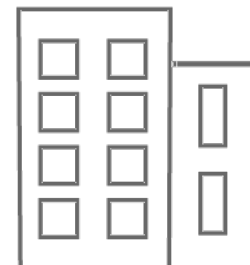
**National food  
safety  
organisations**



**EU Agencies**

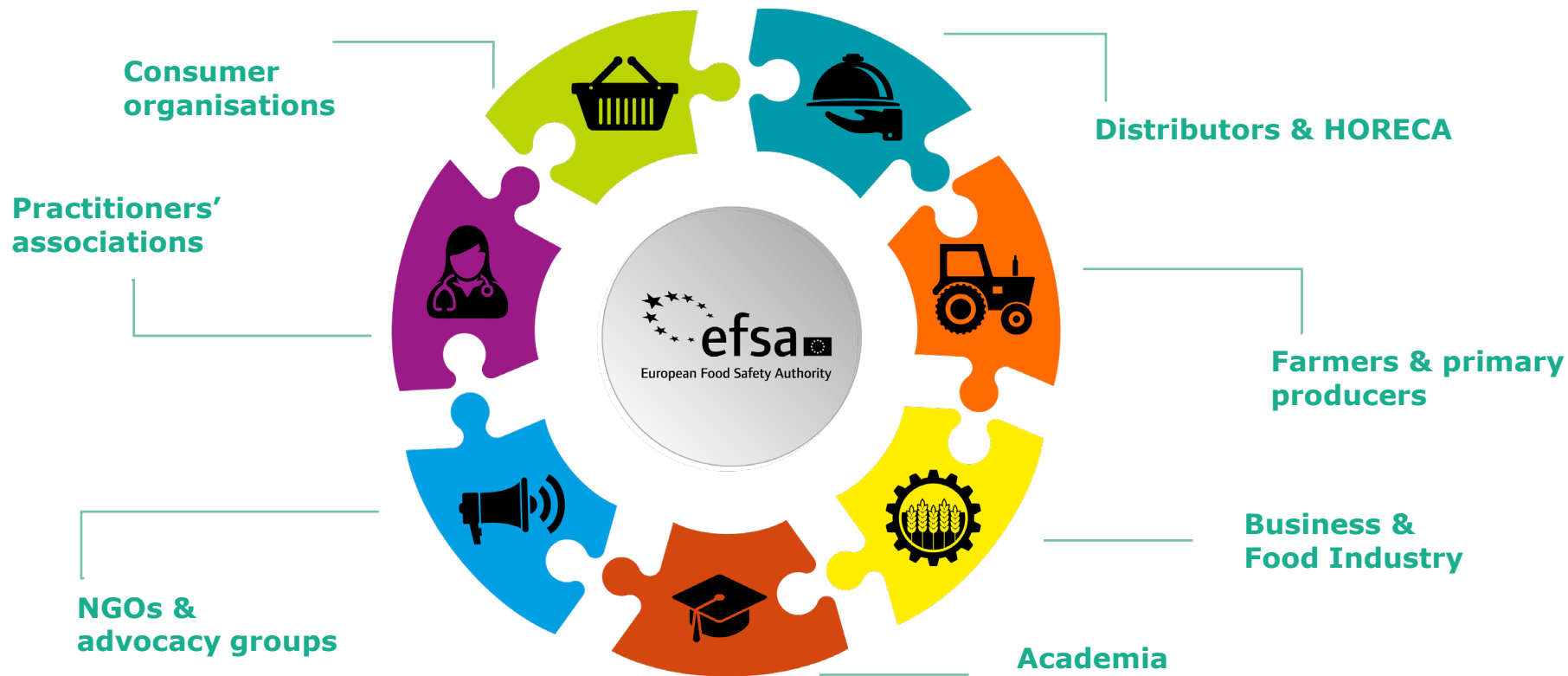


**International  
organisations and  
partners**



**Research  
institutes &  
academia**

# Our stakeholders



# Our tools

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**DATA**



**METHODS**



**PEOPLE  
RISK ASSESSMENT EXPERTISE**

## 1 Management Board

1 Scientific Committee & 10 Scientific Panels

1 Advisory Forum & 1 Focal Point Network

309 Art.36 competent organisations

14 Scientific Networks



**539** staff (Officials, Temporary Agents, Contract Agents, Seconded National Experts)

**71** trainees (105 positions planned for under 2022 call, new hires from Sept. to Dec. 2022)

**65** interim staff



**703** experts - including Panels, Working Groups



**21 Active MoC/MoU\***

with international partners and EU Agencies

\*Memoranda of Cooperation/of Understanding



**150 (M€)** 2022 Budget and **152.8 (M€)** 2023 Budget forecast



**9500** scientific outputs since 2003



**81** physical scientific meetings until July 2022/vs 0 in 2020-2021/vs 670 in 2019



**891** virtual scientific tele-meetings until July 2022/vs 1676 in 2021 /vs 1499 in 2020





**Increased  
scientific  
complexity**

**Innovation**

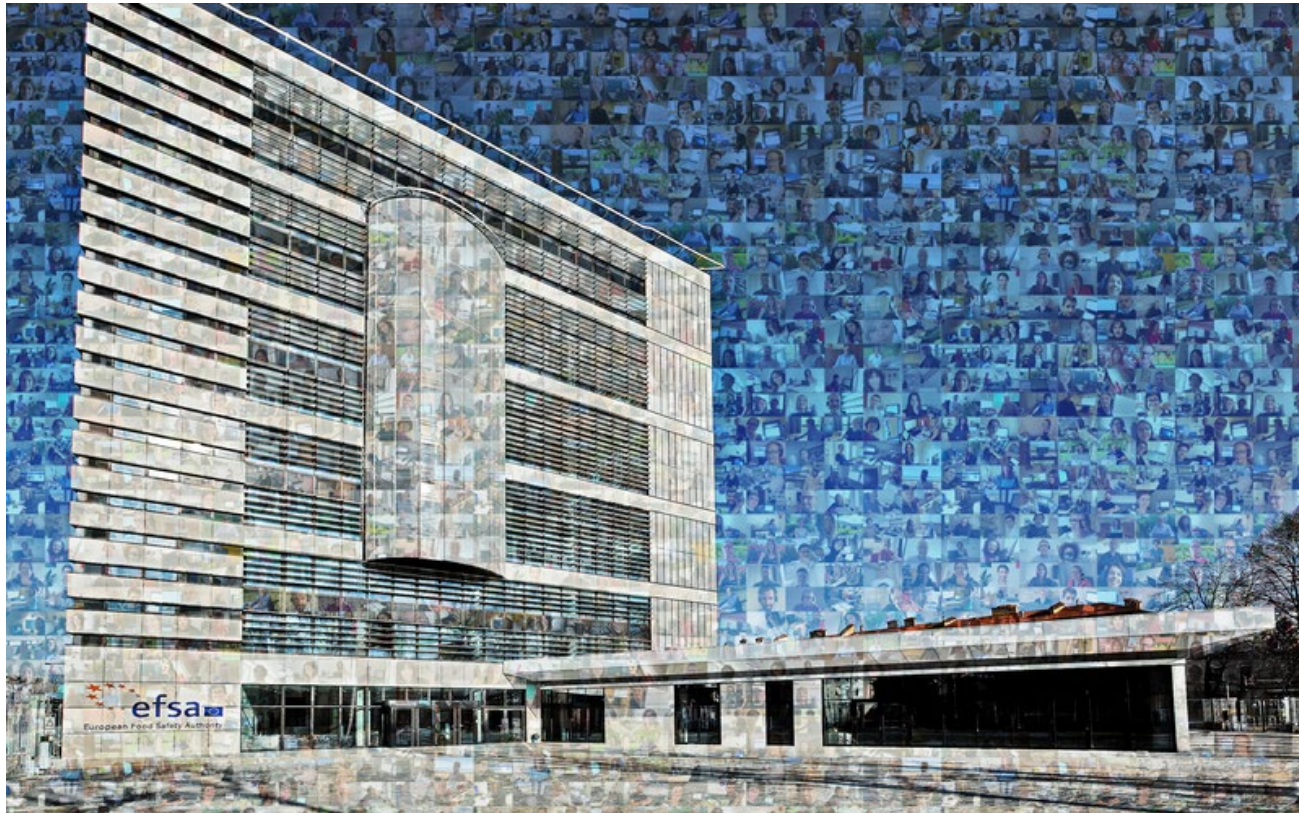
**Policies**

**Changing  
societal  
expectations**

1. “Deliver trustworthy assessment and communication of risks from farm to fork”
2. “Ensure preparedness for future risk analysis needs”
3. “Empower people and ensure organisational agility”



# Partnership is key





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