



## Affiliate Annual Report for Calendar Year 2025

**(Complete Attachment B to be considered for one or more 2026 Affiliate Awards.)**

To maintain compliance with IAFP Constitution and Bylaws, Affiliates must return this completed report. Please send by email to Susan Smith at: [ssmith@foodprotection.org](mailto:ssmith@foodprotection.org).

Please return the following items **electronically** by **Tuesday, March 3, 2026** (late reports will not be considered for awards):

**REQUIRED:**

- ☐ This completed form (*in English*).
- ☐ Your Association's list of current term officers (complete Attachment A).

**OPTIONAL:**

- ☐ Attachment B: Completion required **only** if your Association requests to be considered for one or more Affiliate Awards.
- ☐ IAFP accepts **all** Affiliate Annual Reports electronically, including those vying for one or more of the Affiliate Awards. *Affiliates seeking to present the highest quality visual presentation are encouraged to present their Annual Report in the highest quality possible for review by the Selection Committee. To avoid errors and omissions, please limit your submission to ONE email with all attachments.*
- ☐ Digital photos (with names and descriptions) to appear in the *Affiliate View* quarterly newsletter.

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## Portugal (Portuguese) Association for Food Protection (PAFP)

### 1. Your Official Delegate to IAFP Affiliate Council and Contact

*Enter in the fields below the information requested for your Association's official Delegate to the IAFP Affiliate Council and your official Contact for IAFP correspondence. **Delegate must be an IAFP Member.***

**Official Delegate to IAFP Affiliate Council**

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IAFP Member? Y ☒ N ☐

**Official Contact for IAFP Correspondence (indicate “same” if person also serves as Delegate)**

Same

IAFP Member? Y ☒ N ☐

## **2. Membership List**

a. Indicate the current total number of members in your Association: 11

**Current members:**

- Laurentina Pedroso
- Ana Lima
- Isabel Santos
- Adriana Belas
- Ruben Falcão
- Alexandra Nunes
- José Prazeres
- Ana Inácio
- João Paulo Gomes
- Tomás Moita (student member)
- Filipe Saraiva (student member)

b. How many NEW members joined your Association in 2025? 10

## **3. Meetings: Annual Meeting/Conference, Educational, Workshops, Webinars, etc.**

a. On what date(s) was your most recent general membership or major meeting (i.e., Annual Meeting/Conference) during the past year? Please list number of attendees.

Title: **One Health and Food Safety – Food Fraud and Food Authenticity**

Date: **28 November 2025**

Location: Auditório Agostinho da Silva, Universidade Lusófona, Lisbon, Portugal

Number of attendees: approximately 80–90 participants.

**Description:**

Annual seminar focused on food fraud, authenticity, and integrity across the agri-food chain, integrating academic, regulatory and industry perspectives within a One Health framework.

b. Please provide the date(s) and location of your next scheduled major meeting (i.e., Annual Meeting/Conference):

June 2026 (planned), Lisbon, Portugal

The next Annual Meeting is scheduled for June 2026 in Lisbon, Portugal, with the objective of continuing the consolidation and growth of the recently reactivated Affiliate and promoting scientific and professional exchange in food protection.

c. List all other general membership meetings held in 2025 (excluding board meetings). Include title, dates and attendance numbers.

| Name of Meeting                                             | Date(s) Held & # of Attendees                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| General Assembly – Election of Executive Board              | 14 February 2025 – Attendance: Executive Board members and Affiliate members. Purpose: Election and voting of the Executive Board following the reactivation of PAFP.             |
| Strategic and Organizational Meetings (multiple)            | Throughout 2025 – Attendance: Executive Board members. Purpose: Membership organization, fee adjustments, governance alignment, and strategic planning for Affiliate development. |
| Strategic and Organizational Meetings (Seminar Preparation) | June–November 2025 – Attendance: Executive Board members. Purpose: Preparation and coordination of the annual seminar, including program organization and logistical planning.    |

## 4. Awards and Scholarships

a. List members honored with an award from your Association and/or IAFP during 2025. Include name of award and qualification for award.

**None awarded in 2025.**

b. List scholarships awarded during 2025; include recipient and qualification for scholarship.

**None awarded in 2025.**

## 5. Web Communication

*Please be sure to keep the IAFP office on your mailing list for newsletters, email, and other communications to your general membership.*

Please provide your existing Affiliate's Web site address AND date last updated:

PAFP currently does not maintain an independent website. Information is available through the IAFP affiliate page.

Communication methods used:

- Direct email communication with members
- Internal mailing lists
- Event dissemination via institutional channels

Did you launch a new Affiliate Web site in 2025? Y ☐ N ☒

## Attachment A (completion required)

### Association Officers List

*Provide the contact information requested below for all current officers of your Association. **Please indicate if each officer is an IAFP Member (reminder: Your President and Delegate are required to be IAFP Members).** The information you provide here is published on our website and in select membership materials. The information may be typed in the fields below or may be sent to our office by email, fax or regular mail.*

Indicate the term dates (e.g., 2025–2026) for your current Executive Board: 2025–2029

#### **President**

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*Before continuing, please check one of the boxes below:*

☒ **CHECK HERE and return electronically by 3/3/26 IF YOUR AFFILIATE REQUESTS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ONE OR MORE 2026 AFFILIATE AWARDS. (You are required to complete Attachment B.)**

☐ **CHECK HERE IF YOUR AFFILIATE DOES NOT WANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A 2026 AWARD. (You are done! It is not necessary to complete Attachment B.)**

## Attachment B (optional)

### x Affiliate Education Award

What types of food safety education program(s) did your Affiliate provide to its members during the past year? Provide the following details on all technical meetings, educational conferences, webinars, workshops, classes, and other methods pertinent to the interests of the membership:

- Background;
- Objectives;
- Agenda;
- Target audience;
- Dates held; and
- Numbers of attendees.

Describe any awards provided to students or young professionals. You may cut and paste copy in the space below or use a separate page if necessary; please limit your explanation to 500 words or less in 12-point type. *(Do not submit copies of speaker Power Point slide presentations.)*

During 2025, the Portuguese Association for Food Protection (PAFP) reactivated its activities and prioritized educational initiatives aligned with the mission of the International Association for Food Protection.

The main educational activity organized by the Affiliate was the technical seminar entitled “**Food Fraud and Food Authenticity – Integrity, Trust and Competitiveness in the Agri-Food Chain,**” held on 28 November 2025 at the main auditorium at Lusófona University, Lisbon, Portugal.

#### **Background and objectives:**

Food fraud and food authenticity represent significant and emerging challenges with direct impact on food safety, consumer confidence, and market integrity. The seminar aimed to provide an educational forum for scientific exchange, promote multidisciplinary discussion, and strengthen collaboration between academia, regulatory authorities, and industry within a One Health framework.

#### **Educational program and agenda:**

The seminar included technical presentations and expert discussions addressing food fraud risks, authenticity verification methodologies, regulatory perspectives, and cutting edge strategies for prevention and detection across the food supply chain.

#### **Participating sectors and institutions:**

The event brought together representatives from Portuguese national regulatory authorities and public health institutions, including ASAE (Portuguese Food and Economic Safety Authority) and INSA (Portuguese National Institute of Health), as well as the Deputy Permanent Representative of Portugal to the UN Agencies in Rome. Major food industry stakeholders also participated, including Jerónimo Martins (leading Portuguese food retail group), Auchan Retail Portugal, and other relevant food companies. Innovation and knowledge-transfer organizations such

as CoLAB4Food (Collaborative Laboratory for the Future of Food), together with universities and academic researchers, contributed to the multidisciplinary educational environment.

**Target audience:**

Food safety professionals, researchers, students, regulatory stakeholders, and industry representatives.

**Attendance:**

Approximately 80-90 participants.

**Educational benefit:**

The seminar provided high educational value by enabling interaction between regulators, industry, and academia, promoting practical knowledge exchange, and supporting professional development in food protection. The event also encouraged engagement of students and young professionals within the food safety community.

Supporting materials, including the seminar flyer and program, are submitted below as part of this application.

One Health and Food Safety

## ***Food Fraud and Food Authenticity***

*Integrity, Trust and Competitiveness in the Agri-Food Chain*

**28 November | 2 p.m.**

**Agostinho da Silva Auditorium  
Lusófona University  
Campo Grande 376, 1749-024 Lisboa**

**FREE EVENT**  
Registration by email:  
[sec.medvet@ulusofona.pt](mailto:sec.medvet@ulusofona.pt)

**SAVE THE DATE:  
IT'S ALREADY THIS FRIDAY, 28 de novembro**

This year, the Portuguese Association for Food Protection (PAFP), an affiliate of the International Association of Food Protection (IAFP-USA) holds its annual Seminar dedicated to the theme:  
"Food Fraud and Authenticity  
Integrity, trust and competitiveness in the agri-food chain"

**Background and Objectives**

Food fraud is currently one of the major global challenges affecting food safety and the credibility of food supply chains.

In an increasingly complex market environment, with more demanding consumers and growing regulatory scrutiny, ensuring food authenticity has become essential for protecting public health, safeguarding company reputation, and maintaining the economic competitiveness of the agri-food sector.

This event brings together national and international experts, regulatory authorities, reference laboratories, official control bodies, academia, and representatives from the food industry and retail sector to discuss emerging risks, available technologies, and best practices for preventing and detecting food fraud.

Over recent decades, food fraud has evolved in scale, sophistication, and economic impact. From adulteration and undeclared substitutions to false origin or identity claims, these practices compromise food system integrity and undermine consumer trust.

For companies, investing in food authenticity is not only a regulatory requirement but also a strategic competitive advantage, enabling access to international markets, reducing operational vulnerabilities, and protecting brand value.

Effective food authentication requires robust control systems, advanced analytical methodologies, strong traceability processes, and systematic fraud vulnerability assessments. It also requires collaboration between public and private stakeholders, data sharing, innovation, and rapid response strategies.

This event aims to promote a culture of integrity across the food chain through a multidisciplinary approach integrating science, regulation, technology, and risk management. The goal is to strengthen national and industrial capacity to prevent, detect, and mitigate food fraud, contributing to more transparent, safer, and sustainable food systems.

**Food authenticity is not only a legal obligation — it is a commitment to trust, safety, and the future  
of the agri-food sector.**

**FREE EVENT**

Registration by email with the following data:  
Participating Name/Company or Institution/Email  
To the following email: [sec.medvet@ulusofona.pt](mailto:sec.medvet@ulusofona.pt)

# ***Food Fraud and Authenticity***

## ***Integrity, trust and competitiveness in the agri-food chain***

**28 November**  
Agostinho da Silva Auditorium  
Lusófona University

### **Program**

**1:30 p.m. | Reception of Participants**

**1:50 p.m. | Opening Session**

**Laurentina Pedroso**, Portuguese Association for Food Protection – International Association for Food Protection (PAFP-IAFP),  
President PAFP, Director of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine – Lusófona University

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**2:00 pm - 2:45 pm | Panel 1 – Agri-Food Chain Security – Legal Compliance and Voluntary Systems**

- **Food Authenticity and the Most Common Types of Fraud: Technical-Legal Framework and Business Protection**  
PAFP Board
- **The Role of the Food and Economic Safety Authority (ASAE): Legal Responsibility and Consumer Confidence.**  
Sofia Lopes, ASAE
- **FAO International Standards on Fraud Prevention, Monitoring and Mitigation**  
David Cunha Gouveia, Deputy Permanent Representative of Portugal to the UN Agencies in Rome, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

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**2:45 pm - 3:15 pm | Panel 2 – Innovation and Analytical Technologies, Scientific Evidence, Digital Traceability, Advanced Controls and Verification**

- **Disruptive technologies: fast analytical methods, DNA, isotopy, digital tools, AI, blockchain and others, to prevent and detect food fraud**  
Fábio Santos, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine – Lusófona University



- **State of the art: what we can learn from advances in the methodologies of microbiological outbreaks in the food chain**

João Paulo Gomes, National Institute of Health Doutor Ricardo Jorge - INSA / PAFP

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**3:15 p.m. — 3:45 p.m. | Coffee Break**

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**3:45 pm – 4:30 pm | Panel 3 – Trust, Brand Value and Global Competitiveness: Ensuring Authenticity, Strengthening Consumer and Market Trust**

- **Legal Compliance and Certifications (IFS, BRCGS, FSSC), Fraud Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plans - Ensuring the Reputation and Competitive Advantage of Companies.**

Paula Ferreira, Monte D'Alva

- **Brand Protection - Trusted Suppliers. Security and Stability in the Supply Chain, Food Authenticity and Innovation Strategies in Large Distribution.**

Armindo Lourenço, Jerónimo Martins / PAFP and Sofia Nogueira, Jerónimo Martins

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**4:30 pm – 5:30 pm | Round Table**

**Consumer Protection, Brand Transparency and Responsibilities for the Safety and Stability of the Food Chain**

*Moderator: Ana Lima, I-MVET/PAFP-IAFP*

**Participation of representatives from: FAO, DGAV, ASAE, PAFP-IAFP, Representatives of the Agri-Food Sector, Colab4Food Laboratory and University**

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**5:30 pm | Closing Session**

Final words from the organization

