

3. ISEKI-Food Academy

According to Art.2 (3) of the ISEKI-Food Association (IFA) Statutes, the “Creation of internal bodies for promoting the integration of science and engineering knowledge in the food chain and for recognition of outstanding achievements (e.g. through an ISEKI-Academy) of scientific and technical expertise” is possible. It is planned that an ISEKI-Academy (IA) should be founded and formed. The Academy should also act as an advisory resource to IFA.

a. PURPOSE

- to recognise and identify individuals with high reputation, especially from the ISEKI-Food members and partners, for their outstanding contributions to the integration of Food Science and Engineering Knowledge into the Food Chain,
- to promote international integration and exchange of information, also from other sciences of importance for the ISEKI-Food activities,
- to provide recognition to individuals who have supported international education and training in the field of Food Science and Engineering Knowledge,
- to promote scientific endeavor and encourages communication, discussion and interaction with similar groups,
- to identify individuals for their highly distinguished PhD studies.

b. MANAGEMENT

- The ISEKI Academy should be formed under the umbrella of IFA.
- The Academy will be guided by an individual nominated by the Board of IFA.

c. MEMBERSHIP OF THE ACADEMY

- The standard Awards of the Academy should be “Member of the ISEKI-Food Academy” or “ISEKI-Food PhD-Award”
- The nomination (proposals) of persons for election is an important activity of the Academy and should be done by a:
 - IA-Nominator form (available at IFA website)
 - The election (up to 6 candidates) takes place prior to an IFA conference, and the result should be announced at a conference.
- Proposals for the Award shall be made by Coordinators of ISEKI-Food Association Working Groups, ISEKI-Food Academy members and other recognised entities, and shall be approved by the Board of IFA according to the following selection criteria:
 - Work experience and activities conducted in the food industry in their own country and internationally
 - National and international professional reputation
 - Published works, taking into account the nature of their employment and opportunities for publication
 - Contribution to their profession as a food scientist/technologist and/or the overall success of the ISEKI-Food Association (IFA)
- Candidates should be active professionally but not necessarily in full-time employment
- It is foreseen that up to 6 members per conference may be elected for the ISEKI-Academy. There is no limitation to the number of members to IA.

d. OTHER PROCEDURES

- The IA should have at least one meeting a year (in conjunction with an IFA-Board-Meeting) to prepare a report of activities for the IFA-Board.
- Details of items 3a) to 3c) should be included in amendments prepared by the IFA-Board, that is also responsible for its implementation.