

7:30 – 8:30 am	Registration and Breakfast
8:30 – 8:45 am	Welcome and Introduction
	Jessica Burke, OFPA Vice President & Treasurer
	Membership Information
	Brett Dooley, OFPA Director
Morning Moderator: Dharamdeo Singh, OFPA Director (Student)	
8:45 – 9:00 am	Introduction to IAFP
	Dr. Donald W. Schnaffner, Extension Specialist and Professor in Food Science at Rutgers
	University
	Dr. Schaffner will introduce the International Association for Food Protection, and discuss
	the mission and benefits of the Association.
9:00 – 9:45 am	Quantitative Microbial Risk Analysis of Foods
	<b>Dr. Donald W. Schnaffner,</b> Extension Specialist and Professor in Food Science at Rutgers
	University
	Dr. Schaffner will introduce the topic of quantitative microbial risk assessment (QMRA). He
	will discuss QMRA in the context of risk analysis. He will highlight the value of the approach
	for managing microbiological risks by presenting two case studies. The first case study
	addresses Salmonella in a shelf stable candy, and the second case study addresses
	pathogenic <i>E. coli</i> in leafy greens.
9:45 – 10:30 am	Food Safety in the Global Market
	Chair: Ellen Gravi, OFPA Director
	Panelists:
	<b>Sonny Brar,</b> Global Vice President, Food Safety, Occupational Health & Safety, Quality Assurance & Regulatory Affairs, Fiera Foods
	Melanie Budicky, VP, Research, Development and Regulatory, Giraffe Foods
	Gwynne Sitsker, Director of Food Safety and Quality, Embassy Ingredients
	Addressing the challenges and opportunities in maintaining food safety standards and
	harmonizing regulations in the globalized food trade, including international collaborations
	and standards.
10:30-11:00 am	Nutrition Break, Networking & Exhibits
11:00-11:45 am	Effective Communication Between You and Your Supply Chain: Avoiding
	Communication Breakdowns
	Cindy Novak, President, CL Network
	Exploring the importance of the three critical C's of great communication; Connections,
	Clarity of Message and Cadence
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11:45 – 12:15 pm	OFPA Annual General Business Meeting & Announcements (OFPA Members Only)
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	Jessica Burke, OFPA Vice President & Treasurer
	Arlene Larson, OFPA Director
	New Business & President's Address

	2023 AGM Minutes Approval & OFPA Constitution
	OFPA 2023 & 2024 Board of Directors
	OFPA Financial Review
12:15 – 1:30 pm	Lunch, Networking & Exhibits
Afternoon Moderator: Irem Aydoğdu, OFPA Director (Student)	
1:30 – 2:15 pm	Unmasking Hidden Dangers: Exploring Willful Blindness and Food Safety Siarl Siviyer Dixon, Certification Manager, AIB International
	Discover how cognitive biases can conceal risks in the food industry and learn how to foster a culture of heightened awareness for a safer and more reliable food supply chain. Uncover the hidden dangers and ensure a safer future for consumers and the food industry.
2:15-3:00 pm	Food Safety in the Digital Age Chair: Paul Damaren, Chief Revenue Officer, RizePoint
	Panelists: Tanguy Etoga, Founder & CEO, Normex Inc. Kevin Davies, Chief Marketing Officer, Provision Analytics William Melnyczenko, Global Business Development Director – Digital & Expert Services, Merieux NutriSciences
	Discussing the role of digital technologies, such as blockchain, artificial intelligence, and data analytics, in improving food safety practices, traceability, supply chain transparency, horizon scanning.
3:00 – 3:10 pm	Sponsor Presentation Sani Marc
3:10 – 3:40 pm	Afternoon Nutrition Break, Networking & Exhibits
3:40 – 4:25 pm	Enhancing Guidance for Food Allergen Management in Canada
	Beatrice Povolo, Director, Food Safety & Regulatory Affairs, Food Allergy Canada
	A multi-stakeholder collaboration in Canada, involving food manufacturers, Université Laval, Canadian Allergists, and Canada's national patient organization, Food Allergy Canada, has led to the development of new proposed Allergen Management Guidelines for Food Manufacturers. When put into practices, these guidelines are meant to support Canadian Food Manufacturers by enhancing their food safety practices and ultimately better meeting the needs of consumers managing food allergy. Learn how these guidelines can help your operation enhance your current practices in allergen risk management.
4:25 – 4:45 pm	OFPA Awards Presentations
	Grand Prize Draw Silent Auction Draw
4:45– 4:50 pm	Outgoing President Remarks and passing of the Gavel
le	Nadia Narine, OFPA President
4:50 – 5:00pm	Closing Comments & Adjournment
	Jessica Burke, OFPA Vice President & Treasurer