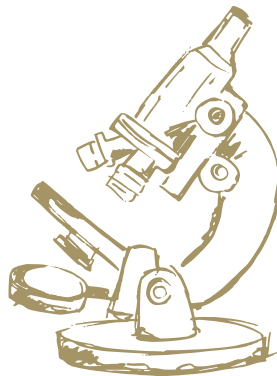




***Austrian Competence Centre for Feed and Food Quality, Safety & Innovation***  
*Your partner for integrated research from field to fork.*



# ***FFoQSI - Austrian Competence Centre for Feed and Food Quality, Safety and Innovation***

***FFoQSI is Austria's first COMET  
competence centre for research along  
the entire feed-food value chain.  
We cooperate with six renowned  
research institutions and more than  
thirty innovative partner companies  
from Austria and abroad.***

***>> Together we want to make feed and food production even better,  
safer and more sustainable. <<***

## **Our research focus**

### **Primary production of plant food and feed**

- > biological crop protection
- > biological weed control
- > biological principles of crop quality
- > biological manipulation of sensory characteristics
- > (automated) on-field quality control
- > precision farming



### **Animal nutrition and livestock farming**

- > monitoring of animal health and welfare
- > disease prevention/precision livestock farming
- > reduction and targeted use of antibiotics
- > efficient and healthy animal feeding
- > toxicological evaluation of phytogetic substances
- > cutting-edge quality controls of livestock feeds

### **Production and preparation of food**

- > product and process development
- > monitoring and improvement of hygiene status
- > increasing product safety
- > process optimization
- > preparation and preservation methods
- > determination of origin & animal species
- > proof of authenticity / fraud detection
- > (hyper)spectral real-time control methods
- > algorithms for data interpretation



## Options of cooperation

*If you have a research issue that you would like to address with FFoQSI, you have a variety of options:*

- > You become part of the FFoQSI consortium and benefit from our partner network and the funding within the COMET programme (recommended for a project duration of minimum 1-2 years).
- > You commission FFoQSI with research/consulting/trouble shooting.
- > Together we apply for a different grant, if the COMET programme does not meet your needs. We support you as a partner during the application.

## Your advantage

- + You decide what information you want to share.
- + You benefit from our large partner network and have access to the latest scientific methods and findings.
- + You can participate in FFoQSI events free of charge.
- + You don't have to apply for a grant. Once the contracts have been concluded and - if necessary - additional research staff has been recruited, research work can start.
- + FFoQSI handles the grant.

## COMET funding principle

FFoQSI is the beneficiary and allocates the funds to the projects<sup>1</sup>.

The amount of funding for the research projects is linked to the amount of financing contributions from the partner companies.

The partner companies can make their financing contributions up to 50% in-kind, i.e. in form of personnel and non-cash contributions.

<sup>1</sup> FFoQSI does not provide business support and does not make payments to partner companies.

## Financing example

Average required company contributions in EUR to finance a **doctoral student**<sup>2</sup> for one year with indication of the respective subsidy amount:

in-kind <sup>3</sup>	cash	in-kind <sup>3</sup>	total contribution	subsidy amount
0 %	47.500	0	<b>47.500</b>	<b>25.500</b>
10 %	45.800	5.000	<b>50.800</b>	<b>27.200</b>
20 %	43.700	11.000	<b>54.700</b>	<b>29.300</b>
30 %	41.300	18.000	<b>59.300</b>	<b>31.700</b>
40 %	38.600	25.700	<b>64.300</b>	<b>34.400</b>
50 %	35.300	35.300	<b>70.600</b>	<b>37.700</b>

<sup>2</sup> incl. standard laboratory equipment, average consumables, travel costs and scientific support

<sup>3</sup> in-kind-contributions: personnel- and non-cash contributions by companies; up to 50 % of the total contribution

## Timescale

### FFoQSI

1. Funding period 2017-2020  
interim evaluation Sept. 2020
2. Funding period 2021-2024

### Research projects

**start:** immediately or later

**duration:** until the end of 2024<sup>4</sup>

**minimum duration:** 1-2 Jahre

<sup>4</sup> in case of positive interim evaluation

## Contact

We are looking forward to support you in your research issues and informally explore our mutual cooperation potential.



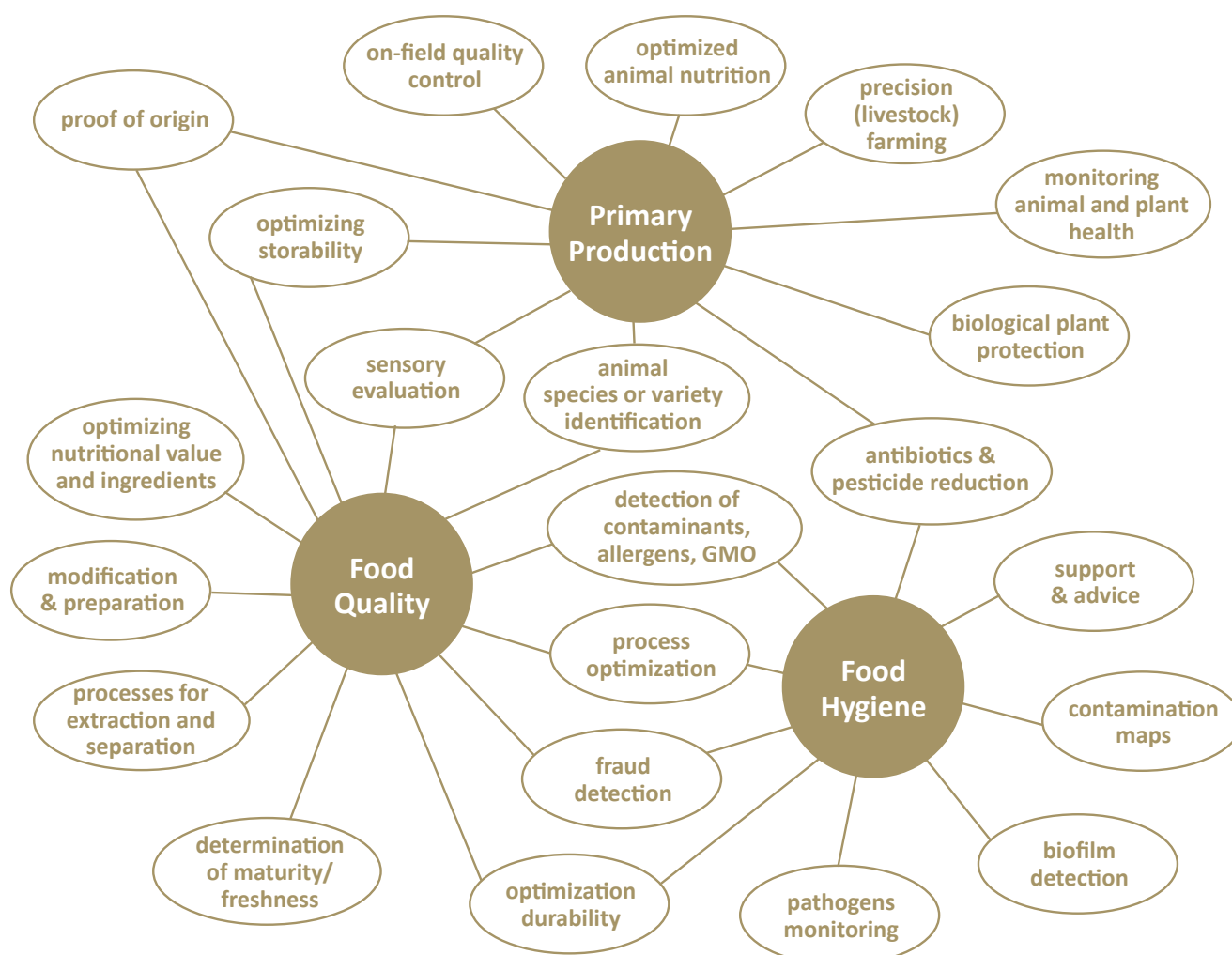
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## Examples for issues

[www.ffaosi.at](http://www.ffaosi.at)



## Our partners

### Scientific partners



food microbiology · food hygiene and technology · animal husbandry and animal welfare · herd health management for ruminants



Competence Unit Bioresources



food sciences · food technology · animal nutrition · agricultural engineering · agro-metabolomics IFA-Tulln · analytical chemistry



plant production · animal health · animal nutrition · food safety · food and feed analytics



Centre of Excellence Food Technology and Nutrition · Bioinformatics Research group



(micro-) spectrometer technology · chemical inline-analyses · non-destructive testing of packaging · chemical imaging

### Company partners



### Regional networks and supporters



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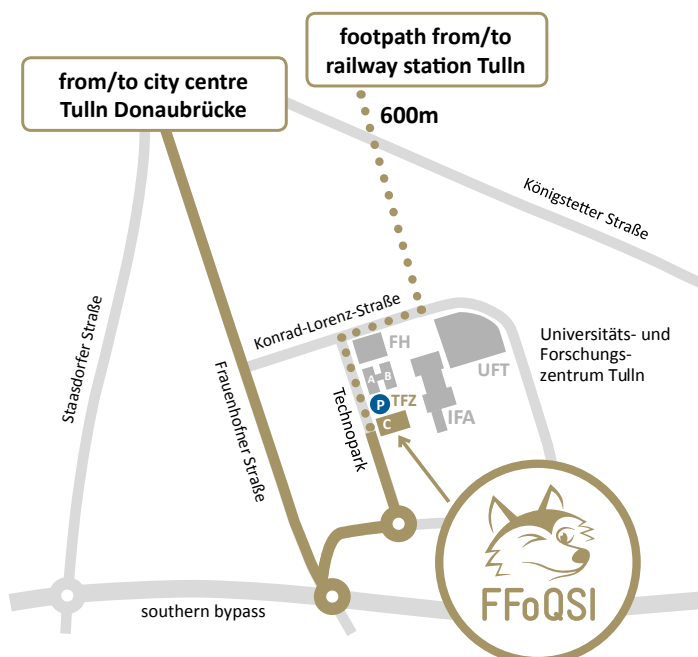
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## Notes:

## Location



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