

# GROUP SCHEME

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IFST's Group Membership Scheme promotes professionalism through a tailored development scheme that helps to set your organisation apart.



# HOW YOUR TEAM WILL BENEFIT

## Knowledge Resources



- Stay updated with trends and developments in food science.
- Access webinars, podcasts, journals, and curated learning materials.

## Our Community



- Network with peers and industry leaders across the food system.
- Join a forward-thinking, supportive professional community.

## Professional Recognition



- Earn certifications like CSci and RSci to demonstrate expertise.
- Track career progress with the myCPD platform.
- Commit to ethical standards through the Code of Professional Conduct.

# ORGANISATIONAL BENEFITS

## Commitment to Excellence



- Showcase your dedication to professionalism and high standards.
- Demonstrate best practices and regulatory compliance with external validation.
- Gain public recognition with a certificate to display in your organisation.

## Talent Recruitment and Retention



- Attract and retain top talent by focusing on employee development.
- Boost team morale, motivation, and performance.
- Identify and nurture future leaders within your organisation.

## Support for Training and Development



- Host on-site professional development events with IFST's support.
- Promote your organisation's events with up to 10 free listings annually.





# HOW DO GROUP SCHEMES WORK?

With a Group Scheme in place, you simply cover the membership and registration fees of your food science and technology professionals and in return we offer:

- Reduced membership fees (price on application).
- One annual invoice for easy management.
- Dedicated account manager for support.
- Online CPD tracking (myCPD) and annual reviews.



# COMPANIES ALREADY ON BOARD

Institute of  
Food Science  
+ Technology **ifst**

Waitrose

**TESCO**

**defra**  
Department for Environment  
Food and Rural Affairs

M&S

EST. 1884



innocent

Harrods

leatherhead  
food research

**BELLS**  
OF LAZONBY



**SUNTORY**

**SALSA**



**Sainsbury's**



*and so much more...*



# TESTIMONIAL SPOTLIGHT



"Joining an IFST group membership scheme is a great way for an organisation to demonstrate commitment to the continuous professional development of its employees. Active engagement in IFST activities gives staff the opportunity to network and engage with peers from other sectors of the food industry and to contribute to their professional body's agenda."

Purity Hrisca CSci FIFST, EMEA Supplier Quality Assurance Manager, ADM

"Personal and business networking is a very important skill to acquire and an integral part of staff development. An IFST group membership scheme and IFST platform help staff increase their awareness of the news and trends in the areas of food safety as well as research and development. It is a professional networking platform to engage with other professionals, join groups, post blogs, and share information. The scheme provides you with a sense of contributing to something meaningful from a professional angle. Business owners can use it to develop relationships with people and companies they may do business with in the future."



Katarzyna Niedzwiedzka, PhD, MChem, RSCi CChem MRSC, MIFST, Assessment Manager, UKAS



# TESTIMONIAL SPOTLIGHT



"Joining an IFST group membership scheme has been really useful for our technical teams. The external professional recognition gives them a higher profile internally and enables them to be more confident. In addition, it gives them some clear development pathways which help with their personal development for the long term. The events and activities give them the opportunity to network with the wider technical community and exchange ideas."

Anita Kinsey CSci FIFST, Senior Technical & Safety Manager, Pret a Manger

"Food Standards Scotland (FSS) Meat Inspectors play a crucial role in ensuring food safety. Their professional recognition through IFST demonstrates their competence, commitment to IFST's Code of Professional Conduct, and provides access to CPD and events on topics of interest."

Miruna Elena McWatt MRCVS RFoodSPrac, Head Veterinarian, Food Standards Scotland





# GET STARTED TODAY

Group schemes can start from relatively small beginnings.

If you can think of ten potential IFST members in your organisation, contact

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Or download our brochure to learn how we can support your organisation and your team.