

# Authent-Net Member State (MS) National Status Report

## Country: Iceland

*Please note that the information provided here below will be put on the Food Authenticity Research Network Hub (FARNH) which will be publically accessible. So please do not include any confidential information.*

### List of organisations that fund food anti- fraud/food authenticity research and the type of research they fund

*Please provide a list of organisations (Government + NGO whatever the nationality) that are funding projects on food authenticity in your MS*

**1. Name (Categorise into government/NGO, public/public-private)**

Address

Web site link

**Type of research funded: APPLIED RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT**

Short description of the funder

*Click here to privately contact the persons responsible for Food Authenticity funding.*

(This would take you to a secure location [eg. LinkedIn private chat] to contact relevant funder, only once you're able to prove that you are from another funding organisation).

**1. RANNIS The Icelandic Centre for Research (Government, public)**

Borgartún 30, IS-105 Reykjavík, Iceland.

<https://en.rannis.is/>

**Type of research funded: APPLIED RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT**

The Icelandic Centre for Research (RANNIS) supports research, innovation, education and culture in Iceland. RANNIS cooperates closely with the [Icelandic Science and Technology Policy Council](#) and provides professional assistance in the preparation and implementation of the national science and technology policy.

Contact: [rannis@rannis.is](mailto:rannis@rannis.is)

**2. Agricultural Productivity Fund (Government, public)**

Hvanneyrargötu 3, 311 Borgarnes, Iceland

<http://www.fl.is/forsida/> (in Icelandic)

**Type of research funded: APPLIED RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT**

The Agricultural Productivity Fund aims to fund development on Icelandic farms and research providing new knowledge and productivity in Icelandic farming. The Fund is run by Icelandic law and governmental funding each year.

Contact: [fl@fl.is](mailto:fl@fl.is)

**3. AVS R&D Fund of Ministry of Fisheries and Agriculture in Iceland (Government, public)**

Byggðastofnun, Ártorgi 1, 550 Sauðárkrókur, Iceland.

<http://www.avs.is/> (in Icelandic).

**Type of research funded: APPLIED RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT**

AVS funds research and development in Icelandic fisheries and production aiming at increased value of marine products in Iceland.

Contact: [peturb@byggdastofnun.is](mailto:peturb@byggdastofnun.is)

**4. Working Group for Fisheries (AG-Fisk) (Government, public)**

The primary function of AG-Fisk is to implement the strategies established by EK-FJLS (Fisheries and Aquaculture) and the Nordic Council of Ministers, and to perform an advisory function towards EK-FJLS (Fisheries and Aquaculture) and the NCM.

Danmarks Tekniske Universitet, DTU-Aqua

Sektion for akvakultur

Nordsøen Forskerpark

Postboks 101

9850 Hirtshals, Denmark

<http://www.norden.org/en/nordic-council-of-ministers/council-of-ministers/nordic-council-of-ministers-for-fisheries-and-aquaculture-agriculture-food-and-forestry-mr-fjls/institutions-co-operative-bodies-working-groups-and-projects/working-group-for-fisheries-ag-fisk>

Phone: +45 35 88 32 11

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Contact: Helge Paulsen [hep@dtu.aqua.dk](mailto:hep@dtu.aqua.dk)

**5. Nordic Innovation**

**Type of research funded: APPLIED RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT**

Nordic Innovation is a Nordic institution working to promote cross-border trade and innovation.

Contact: [info@nordicinnovation.org](mailto:info@nordicinnovation.org)

**6. NORA**

**Type of research funded: APPLIED RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT**

NORA (Nordic Atlantic Cooperation) is an intergovernmental organization under the Nordic Council of Ministers. NORA's goal is to contribute to the creation of a vital and dynamic North Atlantic region, characterized by a strong and sustainable economy. To reach this goal, NORA supports collaboration between businesses and research and development organizations in the region.

Contact: [nora@nora.fo](mailto:nora@nora.fo)

**7. NordForsk**

**Type of research funded: APPLIED RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT**

NordForsk is an organisation under the Nordic Council of Ministers that provides funding for and facilitates Nordic cooperation on research and research infrastructure.

Contact: [nordforsk@nordforsk.org](mailto:nordforsk@nordforsk.org)

## Plan/Strategy in terms of Authenticity Research Funding

*Please provide a web link to a plan/strategy on food authenticity for each specific funding organisation (see 1<sup>st</sup> box), provided there is one, or anything the funding organisations are able to provide (general plan/strategy on food). That should include policy documents, research/surveillance documents where possible.*

1. Funding organisations in Iceland do not have a plan/strategy of specially funding food authenticity but fund projects if applied and the application fulfils the qualifications of the funding organisations.

## Capabilities/Infrastructure of Authenticity research providers/relevant NRLs

*Please provide details of national capabilities (public and private) in terms of food authenticity analysis (relevant National Reference Laboratories, certified laboratories etc.) and in terms of Food Authenticity Research.*

### 1. MAST, Icelandic Food and Veterinary Authority.

An inspection and administrative body, responsible to the Ministry of Industries and Innovation. (Research/Expertise as the Competent Authority (AC) in Iceland in the field of food safety, animal health and welfare, control of feed, seed and fertilisers, plant health and water for human consumption).

Austurvegi 64, 800 Selfoss, Iceland

Web: <http://www.mast.is/english/frontpage/about-mast/>

Contact available through: mast@mast.is

Telephone: +354 530 4800

### 2. Keldur – The Institute for Experimental Pathology of the University of Iceland

(Academic/research/NRL for *Camphylobacter*, parasites (*Trichinella*, *Echinococcus*, *Anisakis*), transmissible spongiform encephalopathies, fish diseases, bivalve mollusc diseases and crustacean diseases).

Address: Keldnavegi 3, 112 Reykjavík, Iceland.

Web site: <http://keldur.is/>

Contact available through: [syni@keldur.is](mailto:syni@keldur.is)

Telephone: 354-585-5100

3. **Matis Food and Biotech R&D / Laboratory** (Academic/research/NRL for Salmonella and zoonosis, and viral and bacteriological contamination of bivalve mollusc).

Address: Vínlandsleið 12, 113 Reykjavík, Iceland.

Web site: <http://www.matis.is/>

Contact available through: <http://www.matis.is/um-matis-ohf/starfsfolk/svid/persona/156/fyrirtaeki/1>

Telephone: 354-422-5000

**4. Department of Immunology, University hospital** (Central Academic/research laboratory for Rheumatologic, Allergic and Immunologic diseases in Iceland).

Address: Hringbraut (Bldg. 14 Eiríksgata), 101 Reykjavík, Iceland

Web site: <http://www.landspitali.is/sjuklingar-adstandendur/klinisk-svid-og-deildir/rannsoknarsvid/onaemisfraedideild/information-about-the-department/>

Contact available through: [bjornlud@landspitali.is](mailto:bjornlud@landspitali.is)

Telephone: 354-543-5800

### Recent key Cases/Reports/Reviews (after 2010)

*Please provide a list of web links to public outputs, documents, papers, reports, databases on incidents, detection methods, ... in relation to food authenticity your MS is involved (see T1.1)*

1. Report on recorded food fraud incidents in the Icelandic seafood sector (from the project Food Integrity, see FARNHub database for report).

2. News of a court case in Iceland where an owner of a company which was accused of selling beef pies without beef won a case against MAST as of their inadequate proceedings toward the company <http://www.mast.is/frettaflokkar/frett/2016/06/03/Frettatilkynning-vegna-doms-Heradsdoms-Reykjavikur-i-mali-Kraesingar-ehf.-gegn-Matvaelastofnun/> (in Icelandic).

3. News of a verdict from the Ministry of Industry and Innovation of reimporting lumpfish roe caviar which was meant to go to Japan but due to wrong colour was resent to Iceland. The marking of the product was totally unacceptable and was therefore destroyed. <http://www.mast.is/frettaflokkar/frett/2016/02/23/Grasleppuhrognakaviar-Synjun-Matvaelastofnunar-stadfest/> (in Icelandic).

*Key information to be registered/extracted on/ from the Authent-Net Documents database (FARNHub)*

### Ongoing Projects (after 2010) including national-international/public-private funded projects)

*Please provide a list of ongoing projects on food authenticity your MS is involved in (see T1.1)*

1. Name, funding, start/end date + Web site link

1. FA0155 EU FP7

**Food integrity Project** - 01/2014 to 03/2018

The Food Integrity project is a large European project with the aim to develop methods and tools to fight food fraud in the European market.

**2. Authenticate:** Determining standardised methods of authenticating seafood products

May 2015 – August 2016

Nordic Workshop

Funded by AG-Fisk (Nordic Council of Ministers)

**3. FA0164**

**Authent-Net:** Food Authenticity Research Network - 04/2016 to 03/2018

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**Legal framework for food authenticity (in application at a national level)**

*Please provide a list of standards/regulations on food authenticity applied in your MS (see T1.2)*

Regulation 1294/2014 of labelling food,

<http://www.reglugerd.is/reglugerdir/allar/nr/1294-2014> (in Icelandic).

Regulation 102/2010 of food safety,

<http://www.reglugerd.is/reglugerdir/eftir-raduneytum/sjavaroglandbunadar/nr/15458>  
(in Icelandic).

Regulation 869/2011 states that all frozen and chilled beef should be marked with traceability information.

<http://www.reglugerd.is/reglugerdir/allar/nr/968-2011>

Regulation 288/2003 states that honey should be marked with traceability information.

<http://www.reglugerd.is/reglugerdir/allar/nr/288-2003>  
<http://www.mast.is/english/frontpage/import-export/export/meat/>  
<http://www.mast.is/pistlar/rekjanleiki/> (in Icelandic).

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**Existing indicators used: intelligence sources**

*Please provide a list of intelligence tools used to detect/counter food fraud issues in your member state (e.g. Horizon Scanning, Interpol, Europol, National Crime agencies)*

**1.** MAST, Icelandic Food and Veterinary Authority, an inspection and administrative body, responsible to the Ministry of Industries and Innovation.

Web: <http://www.mast.is/english/frontpage/about-mast/>

## **Commodities/products of interest and type of research of interest**

### **1. Commodities/products of interest**

*Please provide a list of the commodities/food products in priority order most important for each MS in terms of value to that country.*

- 1) Seafood
- 2) Livestock (Lamb, beef, poultry, pork)
- 3) Milk (including milk products)

### **2. Type of research of interest**

*Please provide a list of type of research (e.g. criminology, critical points, historical points, analytical methods, consumer behaviour, economic aspects) in priority order most important for each MS in terms of value to that country)*

- 1) Analytical methods
- 2) Contingency plans/strategy
- 3) Economic
- 4) Consumer behaviour