

Mini Biography...

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Masami Takeuchi has a Ph.D. in food science and human nutrition from Washington State University, USA. After working in the area of nutrition for 7 years, she has been working in the area of food safety. In 2006, she joined the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in Rome, Italy, to provide food safety scientific advice to Members as well as to the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

Her main responsibility lies on risk assessment activities safety assessment of food/feed derived from new technologies including biotechnologies is one of the key tasks. She also advises FAO Members on applications and development of innovative technologies (i.e., genome sequencing) for better food safety management. She is the manager of the global database on safety assessment results of the foods derived from GMOs, entitled FAO GM Foods Platform (<http://fao.org/gm-platform>).

Since January 2017, she has been out-posted to the FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (FAORAP) in Bangkok, Thailand. She continues holding the responsibility in leading some of the global activities, including the one on new and emerging technologies, while she takes up various regional and national initiatives on food safety to assist countries in the Asia-Pacific region for their food safety capacity development.