

Networking at IAFP

Professional Development Groups

- Join PDGs on Sunday: Network with professionals sharing your focus. Meetings are open to all, no fees or invitations required.
- Contribute ideas for symposia, workshops, and webinars. Collaborate with potential future colleagues and employers.

Networking Events

- Free Networking Lunches: Monday–Wednesday in the Exhibit Hall. Sit with new people, introduce yourself, and start conversations.
- Student Luncheon: Meet professionals and listen to a guest speaker.
- Coffee Breaks: Morning and afternoon breaks (Mon–Wed.).
- Poster Sessions: Meet researchers and discuss their work in–depth.
- Evening Receptions: Casual Saturday welcome, Sunday wine and cheese, and snacks on Monday and Tuesday. Engage with members, speakers, and exhibitors.
- Awards Banquet: Wednesday night dinner and awards is a great time to meet others.

General Tips

- Be ready to introduce yourself as you strike up conversations in halls, sessions, or the exhibit floor!
- Engage and Connect: The IAFP community is welcoming and eager to build lasting professional relationships.
- Share and collect business cards, making notes to remember conversations.

For more details, visit foodprotection.org/annualmeeting/.

