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## Subject: Invitation to Attend the 2025 AOAC SEA 4th Annual Conference

Dear Delegate,

The Southeast Asia Section of AOAC International (AOAC SEA) warmly invites you to the 2025 AOAC SEA 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, taking place on 28-29 October 2025 at the Berkeley Hotel Pratunam, Bangkok, Thailand.

This year's theme, Advancing Food Safety and Quality: Innovation, Standards, and Collaboration, will bring together an international line-up of esteemed speakers, regulatory experts, industry professionals, and academics to share knowledge, foster partnerships, and explore solutions for a safer, higher-quality food future.

The conference program will cover:

- Regulatory and food safety considerations in the supply chain
- Methods of analysis for Halal certification and food authenticity
- PFAS and other contaminants from food packaging
- Food allergens
- Proficiency testing (PT), reference materials (RM), method validation (MV), and related topics

Spotlight sessions will focus on:

- Pesticide residues in spices and herbs
- Microbiology and emerging testing technologies

The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of AOAC SEA will deliver an unparalleled platform for learning, networking, and collaboration, offering you the opportunity to:

- + Stay ahead of regional and global industry and regulatory trends Gain first-hand insights on regulatory and food safety considerations across the supply chain, and understand how evolving standards impact your work.
- + Strengthen technical expertise Learn cutting-edge methods for Halal certification, food authenticity testing, and detection of PFAS and other contaminants from food packaging.
- + Enhance laboratory capabilities Explore the most relevant in proficiency testing, reference materials, method validation, and related quality management practices.



- + Address critical safety concerns Deepen your knowledge of food allergens, pesticide residues in spices and herbs, and innovative microbiology testing technologies.
- + Connect with global and regional leaders Engage with an international line-up of esteemed speakers, technical experts, and peers from government, industry, and academia.
- + Collaborate on future solutions Participate in discussions that foster partnerships and practical strategies to advance food safety and quality locally and globally.

Immediately following the conference, on 30 October 2025, there will be the Joint APMP Workshop, the first collaboration between AOAC SEA and the Asia Pacific Metrology Programme (APMP), a consortium of national metrology institutes from the Asia–Pacific region dedicated to advancing regional metrological capabilities through shared expertise and technical cooperation.

Please find the conference flyer and further information here: <a href="https://www.aoac-sea.org/2025-annual-meeting/">https://www.aoac-sea.org/2025-annual-meeting/</a>. Additional updates, including the full agenda and speaker line-up, will be announced in the coming weeks.

Early bird registration is now open and will remain available until **16 September 2025**. We encourage you to register early to take advantage of discounted rates and secure your place at this important regional gathering.

For any inquiries or assistance, please contact us at secretary@aoac-sea.org.

Warm regards,

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