



# Finland - China Food and Health Network Kick-off Event Nov. 1, 2021

## Programme schedule

### Session 1: Opening session

8. – 9. am Finnish time/ 2. – 3. pm Beijing time

Opening by Professor Jukka Kola, the Rector of University of Turku

Greetings from the Ministry of Education and Culture,  
Director General Atte Jääskeläinen,

Greetings from the Embassy of the People's Republic of  
China in Finland,

Science and Technology Counsellor Mr. YUAN Xudong

Opening remarks by Ms. FU Bo, Director of Department of  
International Cooperation of CEAIE

### Introduction of the network and its focus areas in research

Professor Baoru Yang, University of Turku

Professor Marina Heinonen, University of Helsinki

Professor Marjukka Kolehmainen, University of Eastern  
Finland

Professor Pasi Kallio, Tampere University

### Sessions 2: Parallel sessions

9.05 – 12.00 pm Finnish time/ 3.05 pm – 6 pm Beijing time

2a: Nutrition and Food: pitching and networking

2b: Sustainability and Technology: pitching and networking

Session 3: Closing remarks 12.05 – 12.20 pm Finnish time/

The Finland – China Network in Food and Health is a new multidisciplinary network based on the research and educational co-operation of Finnish and Chinese institutions. The network connects Finnish universities and universities of applied sciences and supports higher education-business co-operation. This creates basis for both new innovations and R&D.

The coordinating university in Finland, the University of Turku (UTU), is Finland's second largest multidisciplinary university, is an internationally competitive research-led university whose operation is based on high-level research. The UTU is recognized for the quality of research, teaching, and excellent support services. As one of the leading universities in Finland, the University of Turku offers study and research opportunities in eight faculties.

The University of Turku has strong and long-lasting cooperation with several top Chinese universities in the fields connected to the network's area. The thematic areas of the network: nutrition and health effects of food; sustainable food systems, as well as technology related to food and health (incl. digital tools and health technology) involve top-researchers from several faculties of UTU as well as from other partner universities. The University of Turku is honoured to coordinate this platform for all the partners, both in Finland and China, with the mission to create research and co-operation with a great impact.