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## Press Release

### IFPTI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SPEAK AT FOOD SAFETY SUMMIT

*Government and Industry Come Together to Discuss Issues Affecting the Global Food Supply*

**BALTIMORE, April 24, 2013** – Gerald Wojtala, executive director of the International Food Protection Training Institute (IFPTI), will speak at this year’s Food Safety Summit.

The three-day expo and conference, scheduled for April 30 to May 2 at the Baltimore Convention Center, will feature food safety experts from around the country, representing the public sector, industry, academia, and international organizations.

Wojtala will speak at a workshop titled “Industry, Local and State Food and Drug Officials – How They Can Effectively Work Together.” The session will cover surveillance, regulation and inspection and include a discussion on alliances formed as part of the U.S. Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA).

“At IFPTI, we work with individuals from across the food sector to provide career-spanning training and capacity building to food protection professionals,” said Wojtala. “Effective collaboration between all food safety stakeholders is the best way to ensure the safety of the global food supply.”

IFPTI also will present an exhibit on its programs and training systems at the Food Safety Summit, at Booth 1013. Visitors to the booth may be entered to win a pair of QuietComfort® 15 Acoustic Noise Cancelling® headphones.

#### **About The Training Institute**

The Training Institute, based in Battle Creek, Mich., is a member of the [Global Food Protection Institute \(GFPI\)](#), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization driving the adoption of food protection policies and practices for a safer global food supply. GFPI’s mission is to improve public health and reduce mortality, morbidity and economic costs associated with foodborne illnesses.

The Training Institute is building training systems, provides evidence-based curriculum, and delivers training for U.S and international public- and private-sector food safety professionals that spans their entire careers.

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