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FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia and WHO Regional Office for Europe
WEBINAR TO CELEBRATE 7 JUNE WORLD FOOD SAFETY DAY

One Health and Food Safety

28 June 2023, 11:00 - 12:15 CEST

The event can be followed on Zoom in **English and Russian**.

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Theme of the webinar

FAO and WHO celebrate [World Food Safety Day on 7 June 2023](#) by highlighting the importance of **food standards in saving lives** to reduce foodborne diseases and promote fair trade. In 2023, as Codex Alimentarius turns 60 years, we celebrate food standards for defining the path to safe food for everyone everywhere. Joining the worldwide celebrations of World Food Safety Day, the FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia and the WHO Regional Office for Europe invite all interested parties to participate in an engaging webinar focused on “**One Health and Food Safety**”.

The One Health approach aims to prevent and mitigate health risks, promote well-being, and ensure sustainable and resilient food systems. Foods of animal or plant origin can be a vehicle for hazards which can occur at any part of the food chain. Addressing food chain risks requires a multidisciplinary and multi-sectoral approach to limit the spread of zoonoses and other threats, e.g. contaminants. Taking a **One Health approach enables to protect the health of humans, animals and ecosystems** by integrating these fields. As an integral part of it, food standards set requirements to be met to ensure that food is safe by defining the maximum levels of additives, contaminants as well as maximum residue levels of pesticides and veterinary drugs in food. Food standards also provide guidance on hygienic food handling for farmers and processors. To ensure their proper implementation, **it is essential to strengthen cooperation between various sectors**, including food safety, veterinary science, public health, and environmental science.

This webinar aims to foster a **dynamic discussion among stakeholders, exploring the interconnectedness of human, animal, and environmental health and its crucial relationship to reducing food safety risks**.

Target audience and language

The webinar targets practitioners and policy makers in food safety, animal health and plant health who contribute to managing food chain risks. The private sector, food producers and associations, and consumer groups are most welcome to join this interdisciplinary conversation.

The webinar will be held in **English with simultaneous interpretation into Russian**.

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WEBINAR PROGRAMME

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11:00-11:05	WELCOME Mary Kenny , Food Safety and Consumer Protection Officer, FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia Peter Sousa Hoejskov , Technical Officer for Food Safety and Zoonotic Diseases, WHO Regional Office for Europe
11:05-11:15	OPENING REMARKS Raimund Jehle , Regional Programme Leader, FAO Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia Gerald Rockenschaub , Regional Emergencies Director, WHO EURO
11:15-11:25	KEYNOTE PRESENTATION Katinka de Balogh , Senior One Health Specialist
11:25-11:35	GUEST SPEAKERS Carlos das Neves , Chief Scientist, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Alberto Mantovani , Member of Technical Advisory Group for One Health, WHO Europe
11:35-12:00	PANEL DISCUSSION Experts from various sectors will discuss the linkages between One Health and food safety, sharing insights and practical examples of operationalizing the One Health approach. Giorgi Chakhunashvili , Head of One Health Division, National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, Georgia Dirk Lange , former Head of the Multilateral International Relations Unit in the European Commission's Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE) Jeta Deda , General Director of the National Food Authority, Albania
12:00-12:10	Q&A
12:10-12:15	CLOSING REMARKS