Tea: Resilient, sustainable and healthy.
From field to cup.

Provisional Programme
21 May 2021
12:30 – 13:30 hours CEST (Rome time)
Virtual conferencing platform Zoom

High-level Segment

Introduction by the moderator
Ms Claire Doole, former BBC journalist

Opening remarks by QU Dongyu
Director-General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

Introductory Video

Interventions by:
His Excellency, Inam Karimov
Minister for Agriculture
The Republic of Azerbaijan

His Excellency, TANG Renjian (video message)
Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs
The People’s Republic of China

His Excellency, Stefano Patuanelli (video message)
Minister for Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies
The Republic of Italy

The Honourable Peter Munya
Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Cooperatives
The Republic of Kenya

The Honourable Maneesh Gobin
Attorney General, Minister for Agro-Industry and Food Security
The Republic of Mauritius

His Excellency, Anup Wadhawan
Commerce Secretary
The Republic of India

Ms Shabnam Weber
President, Tea and Herbal Association
Canada

Closing remarks by Mr Máximo Torero Cullen
Chief Economist, FAO

Panel discussion to follow
14:00 – 15:15 hours CEST (Rome time)

Panel discussion

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Brief intervention by
Mr El Mamoun Amrouk, Senior Economist, Markets and Trade Division, FAO

Themes for discussion

Sustainability

Smallholders

Promotion & Marketing

Guest panelists

Mr Rachmat Badruddin, Chairman of the Confederation of International Tea Smallholders (CITS)
Indonesia Tea Board
Mr Prabhat Bezboruah, Chairman of Tea Board India
Mr Peter F. Goggi, President, Tea Association of the U.S.A., Inc
Ms Sharon Hall, Chief Executive, UK Tea & Infusions Association
Ms Pavithri Peiris, Director, Promotion, Sri Lanka Tea Board

Closing remarks by Mr Boubaker Ben-Belhassen
Director, Markets and Trade Division, FAO

Link to access the virtual event through the conferencing platform
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