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14:00-15:00 CET

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English, Spanish

New FAO project on the implementation of Codex standards to support containment and reduction of foodborne antimicrobial resistance

INCEPTION EVENT

Purpose

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) is launching a new project to facilitate the implementation of Codex standards on antimicrobial resistance (AMR) to support the containment and reduction of foodborne AMR. This project, led by the Joint FAO/WHO Centre (Codex Food Standards and Zoonotic Diseases) and the FAO Food Systems and Food Safety Division, will be called ACT (AMR Codex Standards). It marks a timely and targeted intervention through new and revised standards in the Codex Alimentarius dedicated to tackling foodborne AMR.

Developed by the Ad hoc Codex Intergovernmental Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance and adopted by the Codex Alimentarius Commission in December 2021, the revised *Code of Practice to Minimize and Contain Foodborne Antimicrobial Resistance* (CXC 61-2005) and new *Guidelines for the Monitoring and Surveillance of Foodborne AMR* (CXG 94-2021), together with the *Guidelines for Risk Analysis of Foodborne Antimicrobial Resistance* (CXG 77-2011), provide countries with a framework to build effective national systems to minimize and contain the risk of foodborne AMR.

Implementation of these Codex texts will mark a critical contribution to the global efforts to address the threats posed by AMR. The Republic of Korea has initiated this process by funding the five-year ACT project through FAO to support global, regional and national level efforts to implement the Codex AMR guidelines and code of practice.

The inception event will introduce the background, scope, and expected outcomes of the ACT project. It will be held with a focus on Latin America and the Caribbean concentrating on the specific needs of countries in the region.



Who should attend

FAO and Codex Members, Codex Observers, International organizations engaged in AMR, Coordinators of projects on AMR in the food and agriculture sector.

Programme

Opening	<i>Codex Secretariat</i>
No time to wait	Video
Codex work on AMR	Yong Ho Park <i>Chairperson Task Force AMR</i>
	Steve Wearne <i>Chairperson Codex Alimentarius Commission</i>
Investing in AMR	<i>Ministry of Food and Drug Safety of the Republic of Korea</i>
Overview of the new Codex AMR texts	Video
Introduction of the ACT project	<i>FAO headquarters and regional teams</i>
Q&A	Questions from the audience
From discussion to action	Tom Heilandt

Moderator
David Massey

FAO Headquarters project team
Jeffrey Lejeune, Sarah Cahill, Farid El Haffar, Jorge Pinto Ferreira,
Alejandro Dorado Garcia, Myoengsin Choi

FAO Regional focal points
Latin America and the Caribbean: Marisa Caipo
Asia and the Pacific: Scott Newman



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