



Plenary

**27 November
2023**

FAO headquarters,
Plenary hall,
10:00-12:30 (CET)

Celebrations for the 60th Anniversary of the Codex Alimentarius Commission

Provisional agenda

Monday
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10:00-10:20

Opening session

Facilitator: **Corinna Hawkes**, *ESF Director and Codex Secretary ad interim*

Introductory video: **What are food standards and why do they matter?**

Opening remarks

Dr QU Dongyu, *FAO Director-General*

Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, *WHO Director-General (video message)*

Mr Steve Wearne, *Chairperson of the Codex Alimentarius Commission*

10:20-10:50

Part 1: Moderated Session on 60 years of Codex

Facilitator: **Sarah Cahill**, *Senior Food Standards Officer, Codex Secretariat*

Introductory video: **Codex@60**

Section 1: A world of standards: the origins of Codex Alimentarius

Mr Stuart Slorach, *Former Chairperson, Codex Alimentarius Commission*

Mr Alan Randell, *Former Codex Secretary*

Ms Caroline Emond, *Director-General, International Dairy Federation*

Introductory video: **Scientists help keep food safe**

Section 2: Based on science, built on trust: the Codex standards

Mr Yongxiang Fan, *China, Chairperson Codex Committee on Food Additives*

Ms Sally Hoffer, *Netherlands, Chairperson Codex Committee on Contaminants in Food*

Ms Christiane Wolff, *Counsellor, Agriculture and Commodities Division, WTO*

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10:50-11:30 **Part 2:** Moderated Session on 60 years of Codex

Introductory video: **Standards for adoption at CAC46**

Making an impact on food safety, quality and trade

Mr Hakim Mufumbiro Baligeya, *FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Africa*

Ms Jing Tian, *FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Asia*

Ms Anne Beutling, *FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Europe*

Mr Rommel Betancourt, *FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean*

Mr Andrew Tukana, *FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for North America and South West Pacific*

Mr Khalid Al Zhrani, *FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for the Near East*

Mr John Oppong-Otoo, *Coordinator, Economics, Trade and Marketing, AU-IBAR*

Ms Anne Gerardi, *GFSI Senior Manager, Consumer Goods Forum*

11:30-11:50 **60 years of chairing and organizing Codex meetings**

Codex Chairperson Steve Wearne and the three *Vice-Chairpersons Raj Rajasekar, Allan Azegele and Diego Varela* will showcase the importance of Codex Committees which constitute the backbone of Codex, with the host country secretariats and former Chairpersons and Vice-chairpersons of the Commission.

11:50-12:10 **Voices from the Members**

Members elected on a geographical basis

12:10-12:25 **The Future of Codex**

Ms Maria Helena Semedo, *FAO Deputy Director-General*

Dr Ailan Li, *WHO Assistant Director-General*

12:25-12:30 **Codex Trust Fund in Action** - Video

12:30 **Close of event in plenary hall and move to Atrium**

12:30-15:00 **Street food village and exhibition**

Atrium

18:00 **Reception/Ceremonial cake cutting**

8th floor **Interventions/Toasts** by FAO and WHO and delegates
