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Languages:
Arabic, English, French

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FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee

for the Near East

Programme

Monday
18 September
Plenary Day 1

9.30-12.30 **Opening** (25 mins)

Plenary AM **Session 1**

1. Vice President for SFDA -Food Sector – **Dr. Mohammed Al Nasser**
2. Food and Agriculture Organization – **Divine Njie**, Deputy Director General, Food Systems and Food Safety Division
3. World Health Organization – **Moez Sanaa**, Unit Head, Standards and Scientific Advice on Food and Nutrition
4. Vice-Chair of the Codex Alimentarius Commission – **Allan Azegele**
5. Chair for the Near East – **Khalid S. AlZahrani**
6. Secretariat of the Codex Alimentarius Commission – **Sarah Cahill**

Item 1 Adoption of the Agenda (5 mins)

Item 2 Keynote address:

“Transformation of Food Systems for Sustainable Food for Better Health” - **Abdulaziz S. AL-Shuwaish** - Executive director for standards and food products evaluation- and Faisal F. Binsunaid -Director of Healthy Food Department-

11.00-11.15 Health break

Plenary AM **Session 2**

Item 2 - Panel Discussion - Transformation of Food Systems for Sustainable Food for Better Health

12.30-14.30 Lunch break

14.30-17:30 Plenary PM **Session 1**

Item 3 – Matters arising from the Codex Alimentarius Commission and Codex subsidiary bodies

Item 3.1 – Alignment of food additive provisions of regional standards with the General Standard for Food Additives

15.45-16.00 Health break

Plenary PM **Session 2**

Item 4 – Proposed Draft Standard on Maamoul



Tuesday 19 September

Plenary Day 2

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- 9.30-11.00 Plenary AM **Session 1**
Item 4 – Proposed Draft Standard on Maamoul
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- Item 5** – Food safety and quality in the region including current and emerging issues - country updates
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- 10.45-11.00 Health break
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- Plenary AM **Session 2**
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- Item 6** – Codex work relevant to the region
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- 12.30-14.30 Lunch break
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- 14.30-17.30 Plenary PM **Session 1**
Item 6 – Codex work relevant to the region continued
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- Item 7** – Implementation of the Codex Strategic Plan
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- 15.45-16.00 Coffee break
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- Plenary **PM Session 2**
Item 7 – Implementation of the Codex Strategic Plan
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Wednesday 20 September

Plenary Day 3

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- 9.30-11.00 Plenary AM **Session 1**
Item 8 – Discussion paper on the development of a standard for halal product
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- 10.45-11.00 Health break
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- Plenary AM **Session 2**
Item 9 – Nomination of the Regional Coordinator
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- 12.30-14.30 Lunch break
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- 14.30-17.30 Plenary PM **Session 1**
Item 10 – Other business
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- 16.00-16.15 Health break
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- Plenary PM **Session 2**
Item 11 – Date and place of the next Session
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Friday 22 September

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- 10.00-13.00 **Item 12** Adoption of the report
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