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Nadi, Fiji

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FAO/WHO Coordinating Committee for North America and the South West Pacific

Side Events

Wednesday
1 Feb

Side Event

Codex @ 60 – Towards More Robust Food Control Systems at the Regional Level

Introduction

The Coordinating Committee for North America and the South West Pacific (CCNASWP) and its Members are contributing to highlight the accomplishments of Codex during its six decades of existence and its possible future contributions to enhancing the food control systems in the region. This event will also support discussion surrounding how best to enhance Codex capacities in the region and to steer investments in such capacities for the benefit of consumers and the food and agrifood production sector. The workshop will feature the participation of the Chairperson of the Codex Alimentarius Commission, Steve Wearne, Vice Chairperson Raj Rajesekar, representatives of FAO, WHO and a number of experts and opinion leaders with demonstrated experience in Codex activities over the past period and will be moderated by Samuel Godefroy.

Proposed Agenda

16:00 – 16:15

Introductory Remarks

Introductory Remarks by Steve Wearne, Chairperson, Codex Alimentarius Commission


Introductory Remarks by Raj Rajesekar, Vice Chairperson, Codex Alimentarius Commission

16:15 – 17:00

Facilitated Discussions on the Future Developments of Codex in the South West Pacific (SWP) Region - Challenges, Priorities and Opportunities

Discussions amongst participants will be organized through roundtable discussions which will take place in the form of roundtable exchanges, facilitated by questions designed to extract key input from participants. The summary output of each table will serve as a starting point to the Panel discussion to follow in the subsequent section:

Future Developments of Codex in the SWP region: Challenges, Priorities and Opportunities – Themes to be discussed

- Codex capacities in the region and priorities of investment.
 - Opportunities for the development of standards relevant to the SWP region.
 - Maximizing Codex impacts on the modernization of food control systems in the SWP
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Wednesday 1 Feb

17:00 – 17:45 **Moderated Panel Discussion**

Future Direction of Codex Capacities in the NASWP region, leveraging success and shaping a path forward for investment

Panel participants will include:

- Spokespersons from the Roundtable discussions
- Representatives of FAO/WHO
- Codex Representatives of NASWP delegations

17:45 – 18:00 **Wrap-up and Closing Remarks**

Chairperson Codex Alimentarius Commission

Thursday 2 Feb

FAO/WHO Side Event **Introduction of the FAO and WHO global strategic frameworks for food safety**

09:00-10:30 1. Introduction of the WHO global strategy for food safety 2022-2030

2. Introduction of the FAO strategic priorities for food safety 2022-2031

3. Questions and Answers

4. Potential areas for capacity development in alignment with the Codex Strategic Plan 2020-2025

Moderator: Dirk Schulz, FAO Food Safety Assessment Officer

Codex Trust Fund Side Event **Regional priorities for capacity strengthening**

11:00-12:30 1. Introduction of the Codex Trust Fund (CTF) and its support mechanisms

2. Assessing national Codex capacity through the Codex Diagnostic Tool

3. Addressing key capacity challenges on national and regional level

Moderator: Michael Hinsch, CTF Programme Administrator
