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# One Health Dialogue Series

*Health through healthy agrifood systems*



*Webinar N°4: “Enhancing Food Safety  
using the One Health Approach”*

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# ““Enhancing Food Safety using the One Health Approach”

## Session 1: Country experience

- Food Safety Programs and Challenges in The Caribbean Region: **Dr Suzan Mc Lennon-Miguel**, Food Safety Specialist, Caribbean Agricultural Health and Food Safety (CAHFSA)
- b. Food Safety Standards and Implementation: **Miriam Bueno**, Deputy Director for Food Safety National Service for Health and Agri-food Safety (SENASA), Honduras
- c. Food Safety and One Health in Mongolia: **Ms Tungalag Davaa**, Senior Officer, Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Light industry (MoFALI)

**Session 2:** Discussion Panel facilitated by **Dr Simone Moraes Raszl**, Scientist, Multisectoral Actions in Food Systems, Department of Nutrition and Food Safety

- **Mr. Frans Verstraete**, Deputy Head of Unit, Food processing technologies and novel foods at the European Commission
- **Ms. Marlynn Hooper**, Deputy Head of WTO Standards and Trade Development Facility

**238** participants--- Permanent Representations and government officials.

UN agencies, NGOs, academic researchers, etc.

## Key messages and way forward

- Food, and the complex systems involved in the pathways from production to consumption, sit at the nexus of the human-animal-plant-environment interface. The different ways in which food is produced may therefore not only affect the safety of the final product, but also the health and welfare of animals, the health of plants, and the environment. Reciprocally, the food production environment and the health of animals and plants, or their contamination may impact food safety.
- FAO works closely with the OIE, WHO and UNEP addressing Food Safety and supporting countries to participate in the development of CODEX standards and their implementation. A good example of support from the CODEX Trust Fund for countries and together with support from Standards Trade Development Facility (STDF) to enhance capacities for food safety, animal health and plant health using a One Health approach.
- Food Safety is everybody's business from farm producers up to consumers (farm to fork) and the One Health approach is a cornerstone to facilitate coordination, multisectoral collaboration and sharing of knowledge, expertise and technology among sectors.
- The One Health approach is critical to address food safety and food safety is critical to promote One Health.

## ***QUOTES***

**Mr Frans Verstratete  
(European Commission):**

“It is cost effective to use the One Health approach to enhance food safety. Resources, technologies, expertise and workforce capacities on One Health can be shared among sectors in particular in low-income countries”

**Dr Suzan Mc Lennon-  
Miguel (CAHFSA):**

“The Caribbean Animal Health and Food Safety Agency is a beacon in the region, for strengthening and supporting common CARICOM food safety standards and achieving safe Food using the One Health Approach”