

Preliminary Programme

9:00 - 9:10	Opening: <i>Vladimir Rakhmanin</i> Assistant Director General and Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia
9.10-9.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Introduction of meeting objectives and participants · Food insecurity and malnutrition in the Region of Europe and Central Asia <i>Eleonora Dupouy</i> , REU Food Safety and Consumer Protection Officer, SP1 Focal Point
9.20-9.30	FAO priorities in the Region of Europe and Central Asia. Mandate of the FAO European Regional Conference <i>Goran Stavrik</i> , ERC Acting Secretary, REU Senior Field Programme Officer a.i.
9.30-10.00	<p>Presentation of three Regional Initiatives in the Region of Europe and Central Asia:</p> <p>RI1: Empowering smallholders and family farms for improved livelihoods and poverty reduction (Presenter: <i>Katalin Ludvig</i>)</p> <p>RI2: Improving Agrifood Trade and Market Integration (Presenter: <i>Pavel Kiparisov</i>)</p> <p>RI3: Sustainable Natural Resource Management under a changing climate (Presenter: <i>Reuben Sessa</i>, REU Climate Change Officer, SP5 Focal Point)</p>
10.00-10.10	Health policies and actions on nutrition complementary to food system approach <i>Ledia Lazeri</i> , WHO
10.10-10.20	WFP actions on improving nutrition <i>Yana Manyuk</i> , Programme and Policy Officer/ Nutrition Sensitive and Behavior Change World Food Programme RBC Regional Bureau
10.20-10.30	UNICEF work on strengthening governance and accountability in CIS countries <i>Amirhossein Yarparvar</i> , Regional Health and Nutrition Specialist, Regional Office for Central and Eastern Europe and CIS (CEE/CIS), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
10.30-10.50	Coffee break (REU)
10.50-11.00	Taking actions on the UN Decade of Action on Nutrition: FAO/WHO International Symposium on sustainable food systems for healthy diets and improved nutrition & Regional symposia <i>Denise Costa Coitinho Delmue</i> , International Symposium Coordinator and Regional Symposia support person, Senior Consultant, Office of the Director, FAO Food and Nutrition Division (ESND), Rome
11.00-11.10	Introduction of the Concept Note of Regional Symposium for Europe and Central Asia <i>Mirjana Gurinovic</i> , REU Symposium Coordinator, Nutrition Consultant

11:10 -12:00	<p>Facilitated discussion of topics related to symposium’s thematic area “Food supply”</p> <p>Topics to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Nutrition-sensitive agriculture and food systems (production, processing, storage, distribution, retail, food losses), agri-food trade, local markets, food environment · smallholders and family farmers, women empowerment, value chains development, rural-urban links for sustainable diets · Climate change, agroecology, sustainable food and agriculture · Urban food systems, food waste, informal food markets · Food quality and safety, One Health, AMR, food fraud · Food reformulation, private sector for improved nutrition · Policy recommendations (what, who, when, how) for nutrition-sensitive agriculture and sustainable food systems for healthy diets and improved nutrition · Emerging themes relevant for the region
12:00 - 13:00	Group photo & Lunch (Benzur Hotel)
13:00-13:40	<p>Facilitated discussion of topics related to symposium’s thematic area “Food demand”</p> <p>Topics to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Food labeling for informed food choices of consumers · Food reformulation for healthier foods, food modeling · Nutritional education for consumers’ and professionals · Food fortification · Food marketing and advertising for children · Food Based Dietary Guidelines (FBDG) considering sustainability and environmental impact · Food composition data bases (FCDB) · Policy recommendations for ECA region (what, who, when, how) · Emerging themes relevant for the region
13:40 – 14:20	<p>Facilitated discussion of topics related to symposium’s thematic area “Improving nutrition of vulnerable groups”</p> <p>Topics to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Practices and policies for improving nutrition of preschool & school children, adults, women, elderly, rural-urban migrants, low income · Food prices · Food banks (food recovery and re-distribution) · School food and nutrition policies · Local procurement policies · Nutrition-sensitive social protection · Nutrition in emergency situations · Emerging themes relevant for the region
14.20-15.00	<p>Facilitated discussion on strengthening inter-sectoral collaboration, governance and accountability for nutrition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Intersectoral collaboration, nutrition governance & accountability · Platforms for exchange of knowledge, experience, good practices · Data on malnutrition and evidence-based policy actions

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Budget reallocation · Research infrastructure, innovations · Emerging themes relevant for the region · Recommendation for strengthened nutrition governance and accountability in ECA region
15.00-15.20	Coffee break (REU)
15.20-16.00	Discussion of symposium materials (<i>background papers, country fact sheets, country's experiences and best practices to be collected through e-consultations and other tools</i>)
16:00 - 16:10	Wrap up, next steps