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Committee on Agriculture

4 October | SIDE EVENT



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**Plant health:
Why is it crucial for the success of One Health?**

4 October 2024 | Sheikh Zayed Centre at FAO and online | 9.00 – 10.30 (CEST)

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The side event will discuss the integral role of plant health within the One Health framework. It will highlight the efforts of FAO, Members, the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC), and the broader plant health community in reinforcing the connections between human, animal, plant and environmental health.

As the foundation of the food chain for both humans and animals, plants are essential. Threats to plant health pose significant risks to global health, well-being, food security and prosperity, particularly affecting the most vulnerable populations.

Agenda

Moderator: Sarah Brunel, Team Lead, Implementation and Facilitation Unit, IPPC Secretariat

TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
9.00	Opening remarks	Máximo Torero , FAO Chief Economist
9.10	Overview of the linkages between One Health and Plant Health	Beth Bechdol , FAO Deputy Director-General

9.22	Rapid plant health action: global knowledge exchange to implement novel simulations for <i>Fusarium</i>	Raixa Llauger , Agricultural Officer, FAO Subregional Office for Mesoamérica Carlos Urias , Plant Health Regional Director, International Regional Organization for Plant and Animal Health (OIRSA) / Organismo Internacional Regional de Sanidad Agropecuaria (OIRSA)
9.36	Synergies and interlinkages between plant health and food safety assessments: the case of Zimbabwe	Louisa Makumbe , Acting Head of Plant Quarantine Services Institute, Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Rural Development, Zimbabwe
9.45	Joining forces with the private sector through COLEAD to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	Jeremy Knops , General Delegate, Committee Linking Entrepreneurship – Agriculture – Development (COLEAD)
9.54	Panel discussion to identify actionable recommendations for policymakers, practitioners, and the private sector to better link One Health and Plant Health	All
10.25	Closing remarks	Thanawat Tiensin , Director, Animal Production and Health Division, FAO

The side event will be held in English with simultaneous interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish.

Please join us for coffee outside the Sheikh Zayed Centre at 8.30.

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