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# 1<sup>ST</sup> GLOBAL FOOD REGULATORY SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM

Le Méridien Dubai Hotel Conference Centre, Airport Road – Dubai, United Arab Emirates

17 and 20 – 22 November 2021

Day 4 / Webinar 4: 22 November 2021 | 10:00 – 15:00

Workshop on Digital Transition of Food Safety Practices

Registration Link: [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_q-C99Fu0R1eXCFyQ3ZpAzQ](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_q-C99Fu0R1eXCFyQ3ZpAzQ)



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## Introduction

The Global Food Regulatory Science Society (GFORSS) is partnering with the Platform of Food Risk Analysis and Regulatory Excellence (PARERA), co-sponsor R-Biopharm and co-conveners: Dubai Municipality, AOAC International, GCC Standardization Organization (GSO) and the Arab Industrial Development, Standardization & Mining Organization (AIDSMO) to organize the 1<sup>st</sup> Global Food Regulatory Science Symposium in Dubai, UAE.

The Symposium is an integral part of the 15<sup>th</sup> Dubai International Food Safety Conference (DIFSC) and will be held in two parts:

- 17 November 2021: Arab Food Regulatory Science Workshop – Supporting Food Regulatory Harmonization in the Arab Region
- 20-22 November 2021: Developments in Food Regulatory Science Globally.

The Symposium will be conducted taking advantage of a hybrid methodology coordinating both physical and virtual platforms.

Support to the organization of this event is offered by Public and Private Sponsors, as part of the Dubai International Food Safety Conference.

The Symposium will include several workshops that cover various areas of food regulatory scientific disciplines – i.e. disciplines that underpin food regulatory programs and decisions – in line with the objectives of GFORSS to support knowledge dissemination and transfer, as well as, competency enhancement, in the various relevant disciplines, globally.

The Symposium is open to all stakeholders working in areas related to Food Regulatory Science and is free of charge for participants joining Virtually. Participation in person, is managed through the registration system of the Dubai International Food Safety Conference.

## PROPOSED AGENDA

## Day 4: 22 November 2021 | Workshop on Digital Transition of Food Safety Practices

## Webinar 4: 10:00 to 15:00

*Sponsored by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), Food Systems Division*

*This workshop will discuss recent developments of digitalization efforts related to food safety and the impacts of such efforts on enhancing accessibility to information and optimizing operation, whether from capacity building or food safety service or regulatory perspective. Changing practices require additional efforts from stakeholders, particularly if it also influences the way they work on a daily basis. The purpose of this session is to gather lessons learned from the different experiences which actors had during their transition period.*

## Session 1: Digital Transition of Food Safety Practices

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| <b>10:00 – 10:15</b> | <b>Changing Phenomenon of Food Safety Practices in the Digital Age</b><br><i>Gabor Molnar, UNIDO</i>  |
| <b>10:15 – 10:35</b> | <b>Identification of SPS and Capacity Building Needs through the P-IMA Tool</b><br><i>Marlynn Hopper, Standards and Trade Development Facility</i>  |
| <b>10:35 – 10:55</b> | <b>Lessons Learned: Sharing Experiences of Moving to a Digitalized System</b><br><i>Bobby Krishna from the Implementation of Dubai Food Watch</i>   |
| <b>10:55 – 11:15</b> | <b>Remote Services in Food Safety and Ensuring Compliance in the Age of COVID</b><br><i>Cor Groenvelde, FSSC22000 – Market Development Director</i> |
| <b>11:15 – 11:35</b> | <b>Industry Perspective</b>   |
| <b>11:35 – 12:00</b> | <b>Moderated Discussion on Challenges and Opportunities to Develop and Implement Digital Solutions in Food Regulatory Operations</b>                |

**12:00-13:00 Health Break and Prayers**

## Session 2: What we Need to Know on the Draft Codex Guidance on Paperless Use of Electronic Certificates

*The purpose of this informal session is to provide practical experience on the implementation of the Draft Codex Guidelines for Design, Production, Issuance and Use of Generic Official Certificates (CXG 38-2001) for paperless use of electronic certificates. This session will allow regulators from the Arab region to engage with the former Chair and Co-chair (the Netherlands and Australia) of the electronic working group, leading this revision to its current stage (for adoption at Step 5/8). After the brief presentation by the Chairs, participants will also hear about the perspective from World Customs Organization (related to their WCO data model) and the perspective from an Arab country on how this guideline could be utilized, once it is adopted.*

## Developed Country Experiences in Implementing Paperless Use of Electronic Certificate

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| <b>13:00 – 13:40</b> | <b>Erik Bosker, Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality of the Netherlands and Matthew Moore, Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Australia</b> |
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**13:40 – 14:10 Experience of Implementing Digitalized Electronic Certificate Systems**

**30 minutes** *Speaker from the National Office of Food Safety (ONSSA), Morocco*

**14:10 – 14:40 World Customs Organization Perspective on the Codex Guideline related to Paperless Use of Electronic Certificate**

*Kyung-Chan Park and Tejo Kusuma, World Customs Organization (WCO)*

**14:40 – 15:00 Q&A Discussion and Wrap up**

*Moderated by Gabor Molnar, UNIDO*

