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CODEX ALIMENTARIUS
INTERNATIONAL FOOD STANDARDS



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6-10 July 2026
10.00 - 13.00 and 15.00 - 18.00 (CEST)
CICG, Geneva, Switzerland

Tentative programme

Monday **06 July**	10.00-13.00	Opening and housekeeping
	1	Adoption of the agenda and methods of work for the session
	11	Election of Chairperson - Nomination period opens
	2	Report by the Chairperson on the 90th Session of the Executive Committee
	3	Amendments to the *Codex Procedural Manual*
	4	Standard setting work of Codex committees (adoption, revocation and discontinuation)
		4.1 Codex Committee on Spices and Culinary Herbs (CCSCH)
		4.2 Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH)
	13.00-15.00	Lunch break
	15.00-18.00	11 Election of Chairperson - Nomination period closes and election by clear general consent in case there is no more than one candidate
	4	Standard setting work of Codex committees **(cont.)**
		4.3 Codex Committee on Fats and Oils (CCFO)
		4.4 Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CCMAS)
		4.5 Codex Committee on Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods (CCRVDF)
		4.6 Codex Committee on Food Additives (CCFA)
		4.7 Codex Committee on Food Labelling (CCFL)
		4.8 Codex Committee on Fish and Fishery Products (CCFFP)
		4.9 Standards from other Codex committee for which the endorsement requirements from relevant committees have been fulfilled
	18.00-20.00	**Reception – CICG Restaurant/Terrace (1st floor)**



Tuesday 07 July	10.00-13.00	11	If needed, election of Chairperson (by secret ballot only)
		11	Election of Vice-Chairpersons - Nomination period opens
		5	Proposals for new work
		6	Corrections and amendments to Codex texts from the Codex Secretariat
	13.00-15.00		Lunch break Side event: Ensuring sustainable food safety leadership and advocacy (Switzerland)
	15.00-18.00	11	Election of Vice-Chairpersons - Nomination period closes and election by clear general consent in case where number of candidates does not exceed the number of vacancies
		7	Other matters relating to Codex subsidiary bodies
		8	Codex Strategic Plan 2020-2025 – Implementation report
Wednesday 08 July	10.00-13.00	11	If needed, election of Vice-Chairpersons (by secret ballot)
		11	If needed, election of Members elected on a geographical basis - Nomination period opens
		8	Codex Strategic Plan 2020-2025 – Implementation report **(cont.)**
		9	Codex budgetary and financial matters
		10	Matters arising from FAO and WHO
	13.00-15.00		Lunch break
	15.00-18.00	11	If needed, election of the Members elected on a geographical basis - Nomination period closes and election by clear general consent in case there is no more than one candidate
		10	Matters arising from FAO and WHO **(cont.)**
		12	Designation of countries responsible for appointing the Chairpersons of Codex subsidiary bodies
		13	Other business
		11	If needed, election of the Members elected on a geographical basis by secret ballot
Thursday 09 July	10.00-11.15		Observer side event – role of Observers in promoting use of Codex texts
	11.30-12.30		Monitoring countries' adoption of Codex and regional bodies' food standards related to healthy diet and nutrition through the WHO Global database on the Implementation of Food and Nutrition Action (GIFNA) (WHO)
	12.30-14.00		Lunch
	14.00-15.30		The new Global Burden of Foodborne Diseases – 2026: what it means for stakeholders (WHO/FAO)
	15.45-17.00		Food safety and humanitarian aid (FAO/WFP)
Friday 10 July	10.00 -	14	Adoption of the report