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of Latin American and Caribbean:

Communities Empowered to Tackle Antimicrobial Resistance Initiative

One Health with diverse and hopeful voices

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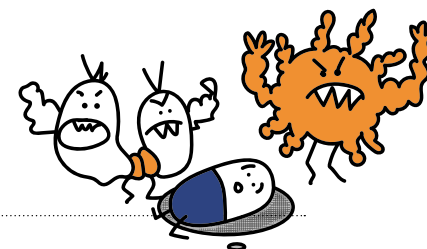


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Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is a serious public health problem that affects humans, animals, and the environment alike. It also threatens health gains made over recent decades. Confronting this problem is a task that involves all of society. For this reason, we present the Communities Empowered to Tackle Antimicrobial Resistance Initiative, whose aim is to engage all sectors of society, especially organized communities, in efforts to effectively tackle AMR. This meeting fosters dialogue between diverse and hopeful voices representing different perspectives towards the same goal: to improve health for all.

We encourage participation of all family members, indigenous populations and community representatives, academics and artists, human, animal and environmental health workers to share knowledge, evidence and practices from their experiences related to health and the optimization of antimicrobial use to preserve their effectiveness for present and future generations. This will be done through open, cheerful, and hopeful exchanges in which art, music, stories, and dance are also present.



November 2023

Virtual event via Zoom



Simultaneous translation:
English, Portuguese and
Spanish

November, 2023

Celebration of One Health Day

One Health: Human, Animal, & Environment

Caring for our Health and the Health of our Planet by Tackling Antimicrobial Resistance

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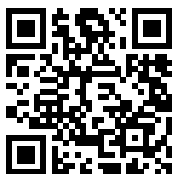
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Our planet is our source of life, food and education; it is a vital and indivisible community of interdependent and interrelated beings.

Planetary health entails the health of human beings, and all that lives on the planet. Climate change and the exploitation of the earth's resources reveal a destructive process that affects our health and our habitats.

Commemorating the Global One Health Day is an opportunity to seek hope, promote mobilization and action in support of our health and human and planetary life leveraging indigenous community practices, academic knowledge and the human and planetary interconnectivity to tackle AMR. Through open and inclusive dialogue, we will discuss the importance of tackling AMR and ways to establish commitments and united actions towards this goal.



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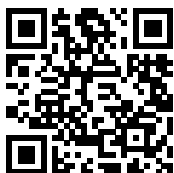
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Intercultural, intergenerational, academic and indigenous peoples' dialogue

Open and inclusive for commitment and united action.

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Objective: Promote intergenerational, intercultural, and holistic dialogue to care for our health and preserve the health of the planet.

Audience: general public, community leaders and activists addressing AMR, health volunteers, health professionals, national authorities, non-governmental organizations, and those responsible for AMR National Action Plans (NAPs).

Master of Ceremonies: Nathalie El Omeiri – Pan American Health Organization

Facilitators: Sandra Payan, Movement for the Health of Communities, and Kléver Calle H. Network of ReAct Latin America Collaborators

9:00 -
9:15 AM

"Organizing Committee"

Artistic presentations

9:15 -
9:30 AM

Opening Conferences

"Program/content"

Session I.

Welcome and Artistic presentations (15 minutes)

Organizing Committee: Nathalie El Omeiri OPS. (5 min)

- 1) Introductory video of Matias' mother, speaking on his behalf (1 min).
Video Poem with children's voices: "To the rhythm of my feet", Author: Matías Cepeda Monsalvo (Chaco, Argentina) (3 min).
- 2) Video: "We are the dream, the ancestral Eco, the Mother Earth who we embrace". From the 33rd National and Latin American LAICRIMPO meeting, Buenos Aires, Argentina (5 min).

Session II:

What are we doing to care for ourselves and preserve the health of the planet? PAHO, South Centre, ReAct Latin America. (15 minutes)

- 1) One Health, A strategy to preserve the life of everyone: human, animal and environment. Pilar Ramon-Pardo, Chief, Antimicrobial Resistance Special Program, Pan American Health Organization (5 min).
- 2) Antimicrobial Resistance, A planetary threat that requires a comprehensive approach. Viviana Munoz, Coordinator, Health, Intellectual Property and Biodiversity Programme, South Centre (5 min).
- 3) Community wisdom to care for the health of the planet: What are we doing to contain AMR?, Arturo Quizhpe P., Director, ReAct Latin America (5 min).

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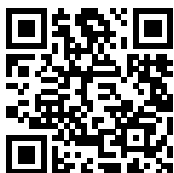
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11:00 AM

Session III.

Intergenerational and intercultural dialogue: Challenges and perspectives in caring for the health of the planet.
(90 minutes)

Introductory video: Did you know that human health, animal health, and environmental health are entirely interconnected? Luis Felipe Sandberg (5 min).

Participants:

- Donato Camey, Health Area Director, Maya Kaqchikel University, Guatemala, Counter of Days.
- Toribia Lero, Andean Indigenous Peoples Confederation, National Parliament Deputy, Bolivian Republic.
- Marina Fritsch Zanella, Biology student at the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul.

11:00 -
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Session IV:

Closing and Artistic presentations
(15 mins)

Artistic presentations

- 1) **Call to Action video:** Art, Microbes and Planetary Health: Dialogue and challenges of today. ReAct Latin America (5 mins).
- 2) **Video Presentation of "Dancing with bacteria":** Song: "Allpami Kanchik" (We are the Earth) (4 mins).

Closing and Farewell

Arturo Quizhpe, ReAct Latin America (5 min).

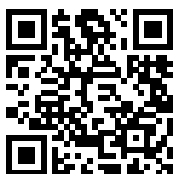
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Food, Nutrition and Antimicrobial Resistance

Food as Medicine: Healing bodies, lands and communities.

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Advances in agricultural production have allowed for the production of large quantities of food while distancing itself from non-industrial forms of production and the rich diversity of foods and flavors that our ancestors enjoyed. Moreover, we cannot underestimate the environmental impact that large-scale agricultural production and use of agrototoxic chemicals, fertilizers and antibiotics have had on our environment. Commemorating the World Food Day is an opportunity to promote local agrifood systems that support production of diverse and healthy foods that are accessible for the entire community.

Objective: To share healthy food production, distribution, preparation and consumption practices in the region.

Master of ceremonies: Viviana Muñoz, South Center

Facilitators: Mirza Alas, South Center. Anita Abad, Ecuadorian Journalist

9:00 -
9:15 AM

**Welcoming
remarks**

**Artistic
presentations**

9:15 -
9:45 AM

**Presentations:
Cultivating
to produce,
learn and eat
healthy**

Program/content:

Session I.

Welcome and Artistic presentations (15 minutes)

Viviana Muñoz, South Centre (5 min).

Musical presentation "The Fire-pit Stove", Airlen Segura, Singer-songwriter, farmer and educator, Colombia (5 min).

Reading of the short story "The Microbiome and me", Mabel Zignano, Nurse and Theatre professional, Argentina (5 min).

Session II:

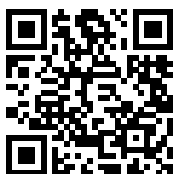
Healthy food production, distribution, preparation and consumption practices. Eating healthily, healthy microbiome, healthy body. (30 minutes)

- 1) School orchards: a strategy and curriculum to learn science through feeling and living the earth and its nutrients: Brief Overview. María Zorilla, Community Health Program Coordinator for the Community Ministry of Formosa, Argentina (7 min).
- 2) Healthy school nutrition: implementation of the school nutrition program in a Brazilian municipality and new school nutrition law project proposal. Ana Maya, Brazilian Institute for Consumer Protection (IDEC), Brazil (7 min).
- 3) Eating healthily, healthy microbiome and healthy body: experience/project of integrated fibromyalgia treatment. Silvana Figar, Italian Hospital of Buenos Aires, Argentina (7 min).

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11:00 AM**Session III.****Sharing Perspectives. Food as medicine: healing our bodies and communities. (75 minutes)**

Mayan peoples' recipes, Ixch'umil Adela Ajquejay, Professor of Nutrition, Maya Kaqchikel University, Guatemala.

Preparation and consumption of healthy foods. Alex Von Foerster, Chef and biodynamic food producer, Argentina.

Biosocial laboratory, "Pact with the Earth", project Roma Verde Orchard: Foods that heal communities and lands. Paco Ayala, Mexico City (5 min).

11:00
11:20 AM**Session IV.****Closing and Artistic presentations (20 minutes)**

- 1) Reading of the call to thinking, dreaming, imagining, and writing: recipes to heal our bodies and lands. Álvaro Restrepo, Network of Healers, Colombia (5 mins).
- 2) Video "Tarpuy Pacha - "Harvest time", Kirincay Community - Quilloac Cañar, Ecuador (5 min).

**Closing and
Farewell**

Viviana Muñoz, South Centre (5 min).

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Community education and communication strategies to tackle AMR

Learning to care for antimicrobials in our community: education and communication to optimize the use of antimicrobials in the community from a One Health perspective

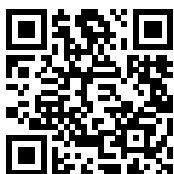
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Antibiotics are losing their effectiveness at an alarming rate due to their inappropriate and excessive use, giving rise to resistant bacteria. Using these medicines incorrectly and without the appropriate knowledge of their function represents a risk to the health of individuals, as their inadequate use increases resistance and makes treating infectious bacteria difficult while escalating the risk of infection transmission and other health complications.

The United Nations considers antibiotic resistance one of the “most urgent health problems of global dimension”. For this reason, education and communication intervention strategies become central to the imperative of promoting the responsible use of antibiotics. This requires a holistic approach engaging the health sector, schools and communities to seek change in how we care for the health of the planet.

Objective: share experiences, lessons learned, and innovative projects to increase awareness and learn how to better preserve antimicrobials in our communities.

Master of Ceremonies: Viviana Muñoz, South Centre

Facilitators: Mirza Alas, South Centre Anita Abad, Periodista Ecuatoriana



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Program/Content

Session I. Welcome and Artistic presentations (15 min)

Masters of Ceremonies: Álvaro Restrepo, Network of healers, Colombia and Jennfier Monsalve, ReAct Latin America, Colombia (5 min).

- Video: Childhood voices for the health of Mother Earth (5 mins).
- Musical performance: Nancy San Martin, Educator and Mapuche singer-songwriter. Conogueno Arts Plaza (5 min).

Session II. Reality and challenges: Education-communication experiences for the appropriate use of antimicrobials from a One Health perspective (30 min)

- 1) Games and role play to understand the role of bacteria in our lives, and how to preserve antibiotics in the community. Ana Laura Chattas, Argentina. ReAct Latin America (8 min).
- 2) Educational Guide on School Health and the Microbe World: The role of arts and games in health promotion in schools. Gladys Cantos, Child to Child Center (6 min).
- 3) Prevention and control of infections in the community: children make the difference in the community in Guatemala. Luis Pablo Méndez, Associate Researcher for the Center of Equity and Governance of Health Systems, Guatemala.
- 4) Recipes for healing in schools: community health project between students and rural farmers in Tenerife (Caribbean), Eduardo Díez Pombo, Visual Anthropologist, Institute of Natural Products and Agrobiology IPNA-CSIC

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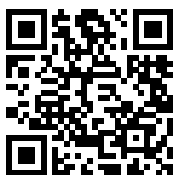
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Dialogue participants

Session III.

Community Dialogue: Why do people buy medicines without a prescription? What alternative community practices exist?
(75 mins)

- Ciria Trigos, Biologist, Health Member, Perú.
- Moisés García, Coordinator of the Regional Committee of Community Health Promotion, El Salvador.
- Alternative community practices, Maria Lorena Libertti, The People's University, Colombia

11:00
11:20 AM

Artistic presentations

Session IV.

Closing and Artistic presentations
(20 minutes)

- Reading of "A story about the importance of hand washing" (Trinidad) (5 min).
- Musical performance: "Trovas to Health" John Bojorque, Doctor and Singer, Colombia (5 min).

Farewell and Closing

- Álvaro Restrepo, Network of Healers, Colombia, and Jenniffer Monsalvo, ReAct Latin America (2 min).
- Video with message and credits of all event participants, with music from Cubans in the Network (5 min).

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Organizing committee:

