

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

(21.04.2026)

WEDNESDAY - 22 April	
08:45 - 09:15	Registration
09:30 - 09:35	National Anthem
09:35 - 09:40	Opening ceremony
09:40 - 09:45	- Opening video by <i>Jarbas Barbosa</i> , Director of PAHO
09:45 - 09:50	- The Honorable Minister of Agriculture of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana, <i>Zulfikar Mustapha</i>
09:50 - 09:55	- The Honorable Minister within the Ministry of Agriculture, <i>Vikash Ramkissoon</i>
09:55 - 10:00	- <i>Ex officio</i> Secretary of COSALFA and Director of PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO, <i>Manuel Sánchez Vázquez</i>
10:00	- Poem – Ms. Daniela Araujo
	- His Excellency, the President of the Co-operative Republic of Guyana, <i>Mohamed Irfaan Ali</i>
	- Director General of the Guyana Livestock Development Authority (GLDA), <i>Dwight Walrond</i>
	- PAHO/WHO Representative in Guyana, <i>Kim Eva Dickson</i>
	- Representative of the livestock producers of Guyana, <i>Nardeo Bassoodeo</i>
10:20 - 10:35	Election of the President and Rapporteur; reading and approval of the agenda
	<i>Ex Officio</i> Secretariat Report
10:35 - 11:20	- Secretary Report, <i>Manuel Sánchez Vázquez</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
	- Countries and Projects, <i>Diego Viali dos Santos</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
	- Laboratory, <i>Euclides De La Torre</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
11:20 - 11:35	Discussion and approval of the Report
11:35 - 11:50	Break
	Status of National Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) Eradication Programmes, 2025
11:50 - 12:20	- PANAFTOSA Report, <i>Daniel Magalhães Lima</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
	- Complementary interventions by Member Countries
12:20 - 12:35	Discussion and approval of the Report
12:35 - 12:50	Report on the Pre-COSALFA International Seminar <i>Guilherme Marques</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
12:50 - 13:05	Discussion and approval of the Report
13:05 - 14:30	Lunch
	TOPIC 1: Progress and Challenges of the FMD Prevention and Emergency Preparedness Programme in the Caribbean - Guyana
14:30 - 15:15	Introduction and moderator: <i>Manuel Sánchez Vázquez</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
	- Caribbean Agricultural Health and Food Safety Agency (CAHFSA), <i>Nneka Hull James</i>
	- Public sector of Guyana (GLDA), <i>Dwight Walrond</i>
	- Private sector of Guyana, <i>Nardeo Bassoodeo</i>
	- Caribbean Community (CARICOM), <i>Shawn Baugh</i>
15:15 - 15:30	Discussion in plenary
	TOPIC 2: Hemispheric FMD Eradication Program (PHEFA) –Action Plan 2026-2030
15:30 - 16:00	Introduction and moderator: <i>Diego Viali dos Santos</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
16:00 - 16:30	Plenary discussion
16:30 - 16:40	Closure of the 1 st day, <i>ex officio</i> Secretary of COSALFA and Director of PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO, <i>Manuel Sánchez Vázquez</i>
19:00 - 21:00	Official Opening Dinner of COSALFA 52

THURSDAY - 23 April	
08:15 - 08:30	Global FMD Situation and Update on Official Status Recognition and WOAHS Standards (2025-2026) World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH), <i>Dr. Francisco D'Aléssio</i>
08:30 - 08:45	Discussion in plenary
08:45 - 09:05	TOPIC 3: Importance of Risk Analysis Studies in Foot-and-Mouth Disease Prevention Introduction and moderator: <i>Daniel Magalhães Lima</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
09:05 - 09:20	Discussion in plenary
09:20 - 09:40	TOPIC 4: Regional Antigen Bank (BANVACO) Strategy in its First Year of Operation Introduction and moderator: <i>Guilherme Marques</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO - BANVACO Members
09:40 - 10:00	Discussion in plenary
10:00 - 10:15	Official Group Photo
10:15 - 10:30	Break
10:30 - 10:50	TOPIC 5: COSALFA: building on achievements and shaping regional cooperation in the post-eradication context Introduction and moderator: <i>Diego Viali dos Santos</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
10:50 - 11:05	Discussion in plenary
11:05 - 11:20	Presentation and approval of the PHEFA Biennial Plan 2026-2027 <i>Manuel Sánchez Vázquez</i> , Director of PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO
11:20 - 11:35	Discussion in plenary
11:35 - 11:50	Other matters
11:50 - 12:35	ROUNDTABLE – Regional Activities in Support of PHEFA Introduction and Moderator: <i>Ana Peralta</i> , PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO - Permanent Veterinary Committee of the Southern Cone (CVP), <i>José Carlos Martín Camperchioli</i> - Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), <i>Jaime Romero</i> - International Regional Organization for Plant and Animal Health (OIRSA), <i>Abelardo De Gracia</i> - Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS/USDA), <i>Conrad Estrada</i>
12:35 - 12:50	Plenary discussion
12:50 - 15:00	Lunch
15:00 - 17:30	Presentation, discussion and approval of Resolutions
17:30 - 18:00	Closing Ceremony of COSALFA 52 - President Pro Tempore of COSALFA 52, <i>Dwight Walrond</i> - Assistant Director of PAHO, <i>Dra. Rhonda Sealey-Thomas</i> - <i>Ex officio</i> Secretary of COSALFA and Director of PANAFTOSA/VPH-PAHO/WHO, <i>Manuel Sánchez Vázquez</i>
18:00 - 21:00	Closing Cocktail reception