**PAHO**
**HEALTH EMERGENCIES PARTNERS' FORUM 2019**
9-10 September / Washington, D.C.

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**Objectives:**

- **Overall Objective:** To collaboratively explore with partners current and future challenges faced by our hemisphere and uncover opportunities for continued joint strategic and operational action in health emergencies, with a special focus on health security issues.
- **Specific Objective:** To share with partners how we intend to operationalize our work in health emergencies over the next years and identify synergies that will lead to enhanced collaboration and coordination.
- **Deliverables:** Outcome document with a blueprint for collaboration

**Format:**

- **Panels:** Eight interactive expert discussion panels focused on connecting the dots to chart a way forward.
- **Fair:** PAHO Health Emergencies Fair where the Health Emergencies team will interact with meeting participants.
- **Speakers:** Key-Note Speaker sessions to shed light and provide insights into the field of health emergencies.

**Meeting Materials:**

- To reduce printing all supporting materials including outcomes 23, 24, and 25 of PAHO's Strategic Plan 2020-2015, which will guide the work of PAHO's Health Emergencies Department, and the Forum Concept note are available at the Forum's microsite. Please visit http://www.paho.org/PHE-partners-forum-2019 or use your smart phone to scan the QR code below. (Printed copies will be available upon request only)

**WIFI:**

- PAHO's Wi-Fi network can be accessed without a password, please select #PAHO-WIFI

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*"Connecting the dots to chart a joint way forward"*

## Agenda 9/SEP/2019, Room B, 2nd floor

| Session | | Panelists |
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| 8:30 am | **Registration / Coffee** | |
| 9:00 am | **Session #1 - Welcome Remarks & Objectives**<br><br>• Opening Remarks<br>　　*Carissa Etienne, Director, PAHO*<br>• Remarks by partners<br>• Presentation of the Objectives of the Forum<br>　　*Ciro Ugarte, Director Health Emergencies, PAHO* | • **Nicolas Palanque**, Director, Multilateral Relations Division at Public Health Agency of Canada<br>• **María Cristina Gutiérrez Hernández**, Chief, Office for Humanitarian Action - Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID).<br>• **Alvaro De-Vicente**, Head of Regional Office, Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO)<br>• **Tim Callaghan**, Senior Regional Advisor, Latin America and Caribbean Office, Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance |
| 9:30 am | **Session #2 – PAHO's work on health Emergencies**<br><br>• Overview of PAHO's work in Health Emergencies<br>• Update on Hurricane Dorian<br>　　*Ciro Ugarte, Director Health Emergencies, PAHO* | |
| 10:00 am | **Session #3 - Country Preparedness**<br><br>• Presentation: Status of Preparedness of the LAC Region for Health Emergency & Disaster Management<br><br>　　*Alex Camacho, Advisor Emergency Preparedness & Disaster Risk Reduction*<br>• Moderated Panel Discussions<br>• Q&A | • **Felipe Cruz Vega**, Mexican Institute of Social Security, Special Health Projects Division, Government of Mexico<br>• **Nicolas Palanque**, Director, Multilateral Relations Division at Public Health Agency of Canada<br>• **María Cristina Gutiérrez Hernández**, Chief, Office for Humanitarian Action - Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID). |
| 11:00 am | **Coffee break – Lobby** | |
| 11:15 am | **Session #4 International Health Regulations (IHR): an opportunity for capacity strengthening**<br><br>• Presentation: IHR and the Sendai Framework: an opportunity for capacity strengthening<br><br>　　*Roberta Andraghetti, Advisor International Health Regulations, PAHO*<br>• Moderated Panel Discussions<br>• Q&A | • **Gladys Ramirez**, General Director of the National Center for Epidemiology, Prevention and Control of Diseases, Peru (Via WebEx)<br>• **Maureen Bartee**, Associate Director for Global Health Security, Center for Global Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), USA<br>• **Mark Salter**, Consultant in Global Health, Public Health England |
| 12:00 pm | **Photo Session – Outside by the National Flags (weather permitting)** | |
| 12:10 pm | **PAHO Health Emergencies Fair and Networking Session (Lobby)** | |
| 1:00 pm | **Lunch (2nd Floor Delegate Lounge)** | |

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| 2:00 pm | **Session #5 - Creating a joint way forward to prepare and respond to the next epidemic / pandemic**<br>• Presentation: Experiences and Lessons Learned from previous epidemics & pandemics<br>    *Sylvain Aldighieri, Deputy Director, Health Emergencies, PAHO*<br>• Moderated Panel Discussions<br>• Q&A | • **Nadia Khelef,** Senior Advisor on Global Affairs, Institut Pasteur, France<br>• **Louise Gresham,** Leadership Team, Ending Pandemics<br>• **José Luis Alomía Zegarra,** Director General of Epidemiology, Secretary of Health, Government of Mexico |
| 3:30 pm | **Coffee break – Lobby** | |
| 3:45 pm | **Session #6 – Addressing the needs of individuals living in situation of vulnerability in emergencies**<br><br>• Presentation: Better protecting and empowering individuals in situation of vulnerability during and after emergencies<br>*Leonardo Hernandez, Unit Chief a.i. Emergency Operations, PAHO*<br>• Moderated Panel Discussions<br>• Q&A | • **Tim Callaghan,** Senior Regional Advisor, Latin America and Caribbean Office, Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance, USAID<br>• **Rodrigo Lins Frutuoso,** Coordinator of Public Health Emergencies, Ministry of Health, Government of Brazil<br>• **Alvaro De-Vicente**, Head of Regional Office, Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO) |
| 5:00 pm | **Session #7 – Ensuring timely detection and assessment of potential health hazards**<br><br>• Presentation: Maintaining and Improving Capacity for Detection, Verification and Assessment of Potential Health Hazards<br>*Enrique Perez, Unit Chief Health Information and Risk Assessment, PAHO*<br>• Moderated Panel Discussions<br>• Q&A | • **Patricia Hamrick,** Geographer & GIS analyst, PAHO/WHO<br>• **Phillip Abdelmalik,** Team Leader, Health Information Management Dept, WHO HQ, Geneva |
| 6:00 pm | **Light Refreshments (Lobby)** | |

## Agenda 10/SEP/2019, Room B, 2nd floor

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| **8:30 am** | **Coffee – Lobby** | |
| **9:00 am** | **Welcome Day 2** | |
| **9:15 am** | **Session #8 – Safe & Smart Hospitals**<br><br>• Presentation: Integrating disaster-resilient and climate-smart mitigation measures in health infrastructures<br>    *Ciro Ugarte, Director Health Emergencies, PAHO*<br>• Moderated Panel Discussions<br>• Q&A | • **Alejandro Arrieta**, Assistant Professor, Department of Health Policy and Management, Florida International University<br>• **Felipe Cruz Vega**, Mexican Institute of Social Security, Special Health Projects Division, Government of Mexico<br>• **David Latchman**, Focal Point, Smart Hospital Initiative phase 2, Ministry of Health, Wellness and the Environment, Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines<br>• **Dana Van Alphen**, Project manager Smart Healthcare facilities in the Eastern Caribbean, PAHO (via WebEx) |
| **10:30 am** | **Coffee break – Lobby** | |
| **10:45 am** | **Session #9 - Harnessing the power of new technologies and innovation for preparedness and response**<br><br>• Presentation: Artificial intelligence and new technologies at the service of health emergency preparedness and response<br>    *Ana Riviere-Cinnamond, Advisor Data Management, Analytics & Products, PAHO*<br>• Moderated Panel Discussions<br>• Q&A | • **Marcel Salathé**, Associate Professor, École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL) (via WebEx)<br>• **Claudia Muñoz-Zanzi**, Associate Professor, Division of Environmental Health Sciences, University of Minnesota<br>• **Eric Meerkamper**, Global Head, Citizen Engagement, RIWI Corp<br>• **Jeffrey Villaveces**, Country Director – Colombia, IMMAP |
| **12:00 pm** | **Session #10 – Charting the way forward: Blueprint for future collaboration**<br>    *Carissa Etienne, Director, PAHO*<br>• Open discussion<br>• Next steps & Closing Remarks | |
| **12:45pm** | **Lunch** | |

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