



Conference of Ministers of Agriculture of the Americas  
2019 Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA)

## **Provisional schedule**

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29-31 October 2019



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Date and time	Activity		Place
<b>Monday, 28 October</b>			
	Participants arrive and are transported to hotel		
	Registration begins at hotel		
<b>Opening ceremony</b>			
<b>Tuesday, 29 October</b>			
17:00	Opening ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Director General of the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)</li> <li>- Minister of Agriculture and Livestock of Costa Rica and Chair of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA)</li> <li>- President of the Republic of Costa Rica</li> <li>- Minister of Foreign and Religious Affairs of Costa Rica</li> </ul>	Mr. Manuel Otero  Mr. Luis Renato Alvarado  Mr. Carlos Alvarado Mr. Manuel Ventura	National Auditorium of the Children's Museum
17:45	Official photograph		
18:00	Formalization of agreements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Memorandum of Understanding between 4-H and IICA                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experiences of a young rural woman</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Memorandum of Understanding between the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) and IICA</li> </ul>		

Date and time	Activity		Place
18:35  18:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General Technical Cooperation Agreement between the University of Costa Rica (UCR) and IICA</li> <li>- Memorandum of Understanding between Corteva Agriscience and IICA</li> </ul> Cultural presentation  Cocktail reception		
<b>Wednesday, 30 October</b>			
07:30  08:00	Participants transported to IICA  Registration continues at Secretariat of the meeting	IICA personnel	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
<b>Conference of Ministers of Agriculture of the Americas “Cultivating Tomorrow’s Agriculture Today”</b>			
08:30-09:00	Welcoming remarks by the Director General of IICA	Director General of IICA	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
09:00-10:00	Forum 1: Opportunities for Rural Inclusion in the Digital Age  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public Sector General Manager for Microsoft Latin America</li> <li>- Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development of Mexico</li> <li>- Minister of Agriculture of the Dominican Republic</li> <li>- Agrarian Studies and Policies Office in the Ministry of Agriculture of Chile</li> </ul>	Moderator: Patricia Vildosola  Mrs. Anayda Frisneda  Mr. Víctor M. Villalobos  Mr. Osmar C. Benítez  Mr. José Miguel Rodríguez	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms

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10:00-10:55	Remarks by the Member States	Heads of delegation	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
10:55-11:00	Special message by the President for the Meso-Andean Region at Corteva Agriscience	Mrs. Ana Claudia Cerasoli	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
11:00-11:30	Presentation of the “Interpretive Center for Tomorrow’s Agriculture”	Director General	Interpretive Center for Tomorrow’s Agriculture
11:30-11:50	<i>Break</i>		Main lobby
11:50-12:50	<p>Forum 2: Towards a New Balance between Productivity and Sustainability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Coordinator of the Agribusiness Center of the Getúlio Vargas Foundation</li> <li>- Minister of Agriculture of Guyana</li> <li>- Assistant Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food of Canada</li> <li>- Assistant Secretary for Trade and Foreign Relations in the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Supply of Brazil</li> <li>- Head of the National Institute of Agricultural Innovation (INIA) of Peru</li> </ul>	<p>Moderator: Guido Nejamkis</p> <p>Mr. Roberto Rodrigues</p> <p>Mr. Noel Holder</p> <p>Mr. Frédéric Seppey</p> <p>Mr. Flávio Bettarello</p> <p>Mr. Jorge Luis Maicelo</p>	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
12:50-13:50	Remarks by the Member States	Heads of delegation	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms

13:50-15:50	<p><i>Lunch</i></p> <p>Presentation of award:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- IICA Chair</li> </ul>	Mr. Roberto Rodrigues	Auditoriums
15:50-16:50	<p>Forum 3: Health, Safety and Quality for the Future of Trade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Head of Agricultural Affairs and Sustainability for the Crop Science Division of Bayer</li> <li>- Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs of the United States</li> <li>- Minister of Agriculture and Food Security of Barbados</li> <li>- Vice Minister of Production Development of Ecuador</li> <li>- Secretary of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries of Argentina</li> </ul>	<p>Moderator: Kevin Gray</p> <p>Mr. Jesús Madrazo</p> <p>Mr. Ted McKinney</p> <p>Mr. Indar Weir</p> <p>Mr. Byron Flores</p> <p>Mr. Guillermo Bernaudo</p>	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
16:50-17:50	Remarks by the Member States	Heads of delegation	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
17:50-18:20	Close of the Conference of Ministers of Agriculture of the Americas: Commitments Regarding the Future of Agriculture in the Americas	Director General of IICA	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
18:30	Side event: “Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) in Perspective”	Delegation of the United States of America	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms

<b>Thursday, 31 October</b>			
07:30	Participants transported to IICA		United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
<b>2019 Inter-American Board of Agriculture (IABA)</b>			
08:30-09:10	Preparatory session - Election of meeting officials - Approval of meeting schedule	Heads of delegation, Director General, Deputy Director General, Technical Secretary and Legal Advisor of IABA	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
09:10-09:40	Remarks by the Director General of IICA  Remarks by the Member States	Director General of IICA  Heads of delegation	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
09:40-09:50	Aftermath of “Dorian” in The Bahamas	Minister of Agriculture and Marine Resources of The Bahamas	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
09:50-10:20	Opening of the Typical Rural House	Director General of IICA	Typical Rural House
10:20-10:30	Opening of the Dominican Republic Meeting Room	Director General of IICA and Minister of Agriculture of the Dominican Republic	Dominican Republic Meeting Room
10:30-11:00	<i>Break</i>		Main lobby
11:00-11:15	Launch of the Ag Tech Inter-American Network	Co-founder and CEO of the AgTech Club	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms

11:15-12:15	<p>Financial and programmatic-budgetary situation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2020-2021 Program Budget</li> <li>- Report on the Collection of Quotas</li> <li>- Financial Statements of IICA for 2017 and 2018 and Reports of the External Auditors</li> <li>- Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth Reports of the Audit Review Committee (ARC)</li> </ul> <p>Remarks by the Member States</p>	<p>Directorate of Corporate Services</p> <p>Financial Management Division</p> <p>Financial Management Division</p> <p>Audit Review Committee (ARC)</p> <p>Heads of delegation</p>	<p>United States and Canada Meeting Rooms</p>
12:15-12:45	<p>Strategic Proposal for the Future of CATIE</p> <p>Remarks by the Member States</p>	<p>Special Advisor to the Director General</p> <p>Heads of delegation</p>	<p>United States and Canada Meeting Rooms</p>
12:45-13:00	<p>Distribution of draft resolutions</p>	<p>Technical Secretariat</p>	<p>United States and Canada Meeting Rooms</p>
13:00-14:30	<p><i>Lunch</i></p>		<p>Auditoriums</p>
14:30-15:15	<p>The Outlook for Agriculture and Rural Development in the Americas: A Perspective on Latin America and the Caribbean</p> <p>Remarks by the Member States</p>	<p>Personnel of ECLAC, FAO and IICA</p> <p>Heads of delegation</p>	<p>United States and Canada Meeting Rooms</p>
15:15-15:45	<p>Formalization of agreements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General Technical Cooperation Agreement between CODESPA Foundation and IICA</li> </ul>		<p>United States and Canada Meeting Rooms</p>



	- General Cooperation Agreement between CENFOTEC University and IICA, and launch of the IoT Platform for Agriculture		
15:45-16:15	<i>Break</i>		Main lobby
16:15-16:45	<p>Incorporation of Countries That Are Not OAS Permanent Observers as IICA Permanent Observers (modifications to articles 8 and 10 of the Rules of Procedure of the IABA and Articles 3, 12 and 13 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee)</p> <p>Report of the Representative of the IABA to the Governing Council and the Board of Directors of the Tropical Agriculture Research and Higher Education Center (CATIE) for the period 2018-2019</p> <p>Report on the Status of Resolutions of the Nineteenth Regular Meeting of the IABA and of the Thirty-eighth and Thirty-ninth Regular Meetings of the Executive Committee</p> <p>Date and Venue of the Twenty-first Regular Meeting of the IABA</p>	<p>Legal Advisor of IABA</p> <p>Technical Secretariat</p> <p>Technical Secretariat</p> <p>Technical Secretariat</p>	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
16:45-17:15	Reading and approval of draft resolutions	Rapporteur and heads of delegation	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms
17:15-17:30	Close of meeting	Director General of IICA and Chair of the IABA	United States and Canada Meeting Rooms