



FAO REGIONAL CONFERENCE FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Thirty-seventh Session

Colombo, Sri Lanka
31 January-2 February 2024 and 19-22 February 2024

Provisional Timetable

Senior Officers Meeting

31 January-2 February 2024

(All times Colombo, Sri Lanka UTC/GMT +5:30)

31 January 2024 – Day 1

08.30-15.00

I. Introductory Items

Item no. and time	Agenda item	Document symbol
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08.30-09.00	Opening of the Senior Officers Meeting	
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Item 1	Election of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairpersons and Appointment of the Rapporteur	
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Item 2	Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable	APRC/24/1 APRC/24/2 APRC/24/INF/2
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II. Regional and Global Policy and Regulatory Matters (1)

09.00-11.00

Item 19	State of food and agriculture in the Asia and Pacific region: global and regional food security outlook and foresight	APRC/24/3
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Item 20	Building resilience through agrifood systems transformation	APRC/24/4
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11.00–12.30 Lunch break

II. Regional and Global Policy and Regulatory Matters (2)

12.30–15.00

Item 21	Financing to end hunger for today and tomorrow (SDG2)	APRC/24/5
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Item 22	How to fight against food loss and waste	APRC/24/6
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Item 23	Transforming capture fisheries and aquaculture towards sustainability in Asia and the Pacific region	APRC/24/7
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Item 24	Applying the One Health approach to accelerate agrifood systems transformation in the Pacific	APRC/24/8
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1 February 2024 – Day 2

III. Programme and Budget Matters

08.30–11.00

Item 25	The Strategic Framework, Priorities and Results in the Region	APRC/24/9 APRC/24/10
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11.00–12.30 Lunch break

12.30–15.00

Item 26	Country Office Network – Current Status and Way Forward: A policy paper	APRC/24/11
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Item 27	Any other matters	
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15.00–17.30

Meeting of the Drafting Committee of the Report of the Senior Officers Meeting

2 February 2024 – Day 3

IV. Other Matters

09.30–12.00

Item 28 Date and place of the 38th Session of the FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific

Item 29 Review and adoption of the Report of the Senior Officers Meeting

Closure of the Senior Officers Meeting

High-level Ministerial Session

19-22 February 2024

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19 February 2024 – Day 1

Item no. and time	Agenda item	Document symbol
10.00-11.00		
Item 10	Ministerial Roundtable	
	Accelerating achievement of the SDGs through Science and Innovation: Championing modernization and digitalization for small holders in aquaculture and livestock for agrifood system transformation in the Asia-Pacific region	
11.00-12.30		
Item 11	Events on flagship initiatives and exhibitions	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital Villages Initiative (DVI) • One Country One Product (OCOP) • Members' events 	
12.30-14.00	Lunch break	
14.00-16.30		
Item 12	Special Ministerial Meeting for Small Island Developing States (SIDS), Least Developed Countries (LDCs), and Land Locked Developing Countries (LLDCs)	

20 February 2024 – Day 2

08.30-09.30	Inaugural ceremony	
09.30-10.00	Break	
10.00-11.30		
Item 3	Statement by the Director-General	APRC/24/INF/4
Item 4	Statement by the Independent Chairperson of the FAO Council	APRC/24/INF/5
Item 5	Statement by the Chairperson of the 36th Session of the Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	APRC/24/INF/6

Item 6	Statement of the Third Joint FAO and Pacific Community (SPC) Ministers for Agriculture and Forestry Meeting	APRC/24/INF/7
Item 7	Statement by the Chairperson of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS)	APRC/24/INF/8
Item 8	Statement by the Spokesperson of the Civil Society Consultation	APRC/24/INF/9
Item 9	Statement by the Spokesperson of the Private Sector Consultation	APRC/24/INF/10

11.30-12.30

Item 13	Ministerial Roundtable
	Food security and nutrition in the Asia-Pacific region: Lessons from convergent crises and actions going forward

12.30–14.00 Lunch break

14.00-16.30

Item 14	Plenary Session-Prioritization of country and regional needs Country statements by Ministers
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21 February 2024 – Day 3**10.00-11.00**

Item 15	Ministerial Roundtable
	Building resilience through agrifood system transformation

11.00–12.30

Item 16	Ministerial Roundtable
	Investment and financing for poverty reduction and modernization in Hand-in-Hand Initiative countries

12.30-14.00 Lunch break

14.00-15.00

Item 17	Ministerial Roundtable
	Saving food, saving water and reducing losses and waste

15.00-16.30

Item 18 Adoption of the Report of the Regional Conference

22 February 2024 – Day 4

Special Ministerial Event

10.00-12.30

Item 30 Agrotourism in Asia and the Pacific-accelerating rural development and enhancing livelihoods

12.30-18.00 Lunch and field trip