

ICMSF Latin American Sub-Commission

REPORT

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Members of the ICMSF Latin American Sub-Commission (LAS) met in Santos, Sao Paulo, Brazil, last November 11-14, during IAFP Latino 2024 – the Latin American Symposium on Food Safety.

As part of the scientific program of this symposium, LAS members held a roundtable entitled "The ICMSF and the Latin American Sub-Commission: concepts and initiatives that impact food safety and quality in Latin America".

The topics presented in this round-table were:

- 1. Introduction to ICMSF and the Latin American Sub-Commission John Donaghy, Switzerland (photo 1) and Bernadette D.G.M. Franco, Brazil
- 2. Challenges for establishing Microbiological Criteria for food in Latin America: contribution from ICMSF Ana Karina Carrascal Camacho, Colombia
- 3. Fit for purpose microbiological criteria Francisco J. Garcés-Vega, Colombia
- 4. Sampling plans: challenges for Latin America Miguel Zazopulos, Chile
- 5. Food Safety Objectives applied to mycotoxins: risk management along the food production chain Marta Hiromi Taniwaki, Brazil
- 6. Regional products and ingredients: challenges for microbiological safety Maria Isabel Calderón Gabaldón, Venezuela

In addition, the LAS members and John Donaghy held a virtual meeting with members of the ICMSF Commission. On the agenda were updates on recent achievements and plans of ICMSF, and planning near future activities of the Latin American Sub-Commission (photos 2 and 3).

At the end of the IAFP Latino 2024 event, there was a lucky draw for a copy of ICMSF Book 8 in Portuguese and, by coincidence, the winner was one of the LAS members, Maria Isabel Calderón Gabaldón (photo 4).

The Latin American Sub-Commission members also held a very friendly get-together dinner at the Dosette Café (photo 5).

Photo 1



Photo 2



Photo 3



Photo 4



Photo 5

