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*Promoting competitive and sustainable agriculture in the Americas*

**2011 Series of Technical Forums  
VI Technical Forum**

**Impact of the United States New Food Safety Modernization Act**

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**Objective**

Create awareness to government officers, the private sector and IICA's technical staff in the Americas to the possible impact of FSMA regulation and how to adapt and prepare to face the challenges of this process.

**Program**

08:30 – 08:45 Welcome and opening remarks (Mr. Rafael Trejos, Manager of the Center for Strategic Analysis for Agriculture, IICA)

**Part One:** *Requirements of the new law and their impact on the agricultural sector*

**Moderator:** Eric Bolaños, IICA

08:45 – 09:45 Food Safety Modernization Act: Requirements, new guidelines and additional competences for the FDA (Lisa Lopez, FDA Regional Office in Costa Rica)

09:45 – 10:15 Potential impact of the new law on the agroexport and government sectors (Dr. Ricardo Molins, Head, Agricultural Health and Food Safety Program, IICA)

10:15 – 10:45 Questions and comments

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee break

**Part Two:** *Response from governments and the private sector*

**Moderator:** Eric Bolaños, IICA

- 11:00 – 11:20 Outlook for the Peruvian agroexport sector (Beatriz Tubino, Exporters Association of Peru)
- 11:20 – 11:40 Outlook for the Chilean government sector (Adriana Valenzuela, SAG)
- 11:40 – 12:10 Questions and comments
- 12:10 – 12:30 Summary (Ana Marisa Cordero, IICA)
- 12:30 – 12:40 Close