

## PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Greeting by Chair: Theadora Swift Koller, Senior Technical Advisor, Health Equity, Director General's Office, WHO/HQ

## Panel:

- Addressing access barriers faced by rural communities in the Americas through participatory mixed methods analysis **Natalia Houghton and Ernesto Bascolo**, PAHO;
- ➤ Demystifying the barriers to health services in rural areas using mixed methods research— **Sneha P Kotian,** WONCA, Rural Seeds Ambassador South Asia;
- Understanding Communities of Deep Disadvantage in the United States— H. Luke Shaefer, Director of Poverty Solutions, University of Michigan;
- ➤ Bottlenecks and opportunities to have data on rural health better used in policymaking and programming **Ana Lorena Ruano**, Researcher, Center for International Health, University of Bergen.

Closing remarks: Alan Bruce Chater, Chair, WONCA Working Party on Rural Practice

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