

# 1st Pan American Congress of Medicinal Plants and Integrative Health: Intersection with Traditional and Complementary Medicines

The *1st Pan American Congress of Medicinal Plants and Integrative Health: Intersection with Traditional and Complementary Medicines*, held online from April 4th to 7th, 2022, aimed to create a dialogue between the use of medicinal plants and Traditional, Complementary and Integrative Medicines, concept of the World Health Organization.

Traditional knowledge and scientific information about the native and exotic flora of the Americas region, as well as of all regions, must be preserved, validated and disseminated, as a therapeutic strategy that unites ancestral and current medicines, contributing to human well-being, global and planetary health.

The congress valued the largest rainforest in the world, the Amazon basin in the heart of the Americas, and gathered 132 speakers from 24 countries.

The four axes addressed on each day of the Congress were:

1. Conservation, Sustainability and Planetary Health;
2. Research and technological innovation in medicinal plants in the Pan-American region;
3. Medicinal plants in Traditional, Complementary and Integrative Medicine;
4. Medicinal plants and Public Health.

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