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Dr. Elisabeth Hagen, Under Secretary for Food Safety, to Speak at IPE Programs

ATLANTA – Dr. Elisabeth Hagen, Under Secretary for Food Safety, will speak at two International Poultry Expo programs on Wednesday, January 25. Dr. Hagen will give the opening remarks at the *Pre-Harvest Food Safety Conference*, beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday morning. At 10:40 a.m., Dr. Hagen will speak at the *Executive Conference on the Future of the American Poultry Industry*, during which she will discuss how the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) and the poultry industry can continue to jointly work together to further enhance food safety in the future.



As Under Secretary for Food Safety, Dr. Hagen oversees the policies and programs of FSIS, USDA's public health regulatory agency that ensures that the nation's commercial meat, poultry, and processed egg products are safe, wholesome, and correctly labeled and packaged. She also chairs the U.S. Codex Steering Committee, which provides guidance to U.S. delegations to the Codex Alimentarius Commission.

Dr. Hagen holds an M.D. from Harvard Medical School and a B.S. from Saint Joseph's University. She completed specialty medical training at the University of Texas Southwestern and the University of Pennsylvania, and is board certified in infectious diseases.

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