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Subject: RDA VP26 Final Preparations

Dear VP26 Session Chairs,

With under one week to go, the [RDA 26th Plenary](#) is almost here, bringing together over 250 global attendees. With that in mind, please find below a few final updates ahead of your session:

- **Whova Platform (RDA VP26 Virtual Location)**
 - Make sure you are **logged-in to Whova** in advance <https://rdavp26.events.whova.com/> (log-in details can be found in your registration confirmation email). Please email irina.hope@rda-foundation.org if you have any Whova log-in issues.
 - Use [Whova Guide](#) for support
- **Presentation slides**
 - Please include a **link to your presentation slides** in your session's collaborative notes (linked from your [web session submission page](#)).
 - **Zoom background and Presentation Slides Template** <https://www.rd-alliance.org/plenaries/p26/p26-session-chairs-planning-communication/>
- **Joining Your Session**
 - Please join your session **20 minutes** before to your session starts
 - View how to join a session [here](#)
 - An RDA Secretariat member will be waiting for you in Zoom to assist you with pre-session preparation
 - To avoid missing your session, add it to your calendar via [Whova > Agenda > Sessions > Add to my Agenda](#).
- Join one of our informal **networking sessions**:
 - Monday, 16 March, 15:30-16:10 UTC. **RDA for Newcomers** (Africa/Americas/Europe friendly time zone) <https://rdavp26.events.whova.com/Agenda/5174814>
 - Tuesday, 05:30-06:10 UTC. **RDA for Newcomers** (Asia/Oceania friendly time zone) <https://rdavp26.events.whova.com/Agenda/5174820>
 - Wednesday, 18 March, 05:30-06:10 UTC **'Meet Your Match!'** (Asia/Oceania friendly time zone) <https://rdavp26.events.whova.com/Agenda/5174836>
 - Wednesday, 18 March, 15:30-16:10 UTC **'Meet Your Match!'** (Africa/Americas/Europe friendly time zone) <https://rdavp26.events.whova.com/Agenda/5174846>
 - Browse and Participate **anytime** in <https://rdavp26.events.whova.com/CommunityBoard>

We wish you a successful session!

If you have any questions, please contact secretariat@rda-foundation.org.

Kind regards,
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