



Plenary 2: From Evidence To Impact: HTA Driving Changes In Systems



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Biography

Alexandre Lemgruber is a Brazilian engineer with a Master's degree in Public Policy and over two decades of experience in health technology assessment (HTA), regulation, and access to health technologies across the Americas.

He began his career in Brazil, holding key positions within the Ministry of Health and the country's leading regulatory bodies, including the National Health Surveillance Agency (ANVISA) and the National Supplementary Health Agency (ANS). As Head of the Office of Economic Evaluation of Health Technologies at ANVISA, he led the development and implementation of HTA methodologies that informed pricing decisions. He also helped shape national HTA policy more broadly: co-creating the Brazilian Health Technology Assessment Bulletin (BRATS), serving as rapporteur for the National Policy on Health Technology Management, and representing Brazil on the MERCOSUR HTA Commission.

Since joining the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in 2011 as Regional Advisor on Health Technology Assessment, Lemgruber has supported countries across the Americas to build HTA systems and evidence-informed decision-making frameworks. He led the development of the policy document on Health Technology Assessment and Incorporation into Health Systems, adopted by PAHO Member States in 2012, and has been central to advancing regional collaboration, including the creation of the HTA Network of the Americas (RedETSA) and the BRISA regional database.

In September 2023, he was appointed Acting Unit Chief of PAHO's Access to Medicines and Health Technologies Unit, where he now coordinates regional initiatives spanning access policy, HTA, rational use of medicines, pharmaceutical services, blood and transplant systems, and radiological health — continuing his work to strengthen equitable access to health technologies throughout the region.