

## Side event application / Formulaire de demande de réunion parallèle

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### Concept

Description of proposed side event, including objective, expected results, proposed programme and speakers\* /  
Description de la réunion parallèle proposée, y compris les objectifs, les résultats attendus, l'ordre du jour et les orateurs\* :

This session is being convened by Member States in collaboration with WHO, The International Health Partnership for UHC 2030 (UHC2030) and civil society, in collaboration with the UHC2030 Civil Society Engagement Mechanism.

Given the social contract that underpins universal health coverage (UHC), accelerating and sustaining progress towards UHC requires both technical and political commitment. This session will demonstrate how participatory governance mechanisms, with a particular focus on national health assemblies, marry the technical and the political to offer concrete policy options for sustaining UHC. It will showcase country experiences, such as Iran's and Thailand's National Health Assembly, Tunisia's Societal Dialogue for Health, and France's *Etats Généraux de la Santé*, with a particular focus on the unique role of people, civil society and community representatives in mobilising political commitment and sustainable movement for materialization of UHC.

The **objectives** of the session are to:

- Make the case for effective multi-stakeholder participation in national planning processes, with particular focus on community representatives
- Showcase countries' experiences in institutionalizing social participation and reflections from community representatives
- Demonstrate the contribution of civil society in mobilizing and sustaining political commitment to UHC
- Identify emerging challenges to effective participatory governance, and possible ideas for hearing voice of people

The session will be run as a moderated panel discussion, with interactive contributions from the audience. The proposed **programme** and **speakers** for the event will be as follows:

Topic	Speaker	Time
Welcome & introductions by Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hon. Minister of Health &amp; Medical Education, Iran</li> </ul>	5 minutes

Setting the scene - the political economy of UHC and importance of social participation		Dr Githinji Gitahi, AMREF Global CEO, Co-Chair Steering Committee for UHC2030	10 minutes
Country experiences – 3 rounds of questions on institutionalised social participation	1. Incentives – why do it? What does participation achieve?	6 panellists TBC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hon. Minister of Health &amp; Medical Education, Iran</li> <li>• Hon. Minister of Health, Thailand</li> <li>• Hon. Minister of Health, France</li> <li>• Hon. Minister of Health, Tunisia</li> <li>• Community representative (from one of the above countries)</li> <li>• CSO representative (global &amp; country perspective e.g. Kenya/Zimbabwe/Bur kina Faso)</li> </ul>	45 minutes
	2. Best practice – what makes it effective?		
	3. Critical challenges moving forwards where there is scope for mutual learning?		
Moderated Q&A with audience – potential solutions to emerging challenges?			20 minutes
Concluding remarks		Panellists	10 minutes

The **expected results** of the session will include greater awareness of the importance of institutionalizing social participation, especially in order to bring together both the technical and political aspects of UHC; peer exchange of best practices; and the identification of emerging challenges to shape the learning agenda moving forwards, which will influence the work of WHO and UHC2030.

#### Event details / détails de la réunion

Expected number of participants/Nombre de participants attendus : 100
Exact title of the meeting/Titre exact de la réunion: Institutionalizing social participation and hearing people's voice to secure sustainable gains for UHC

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Interpretation may be provided in the official languages and the estimated costs are as follows: 2 languages: 2561 CHF; 3 languages: 5123 CHF; 6 languages: 11953 CHF.

L'interprétation peut être assurée dans les langues officielles aux coûts estimés suivants : 2 langues-2561 CHF; 3 langues : 5123 CHF; 6 langues : 11953 CHF.

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**\*Badges/ Badges d'accès**

WHA side events are for participants of the WHA and, as such, panellists and participants should be drawn from those participating in the Health Assembly.

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