General programme of work

The Executive Board,

Having reviewed the draft General programme of work, 2002-2005.¹

Noting that the Executive Board would review at its 109th session developments and evaluation affecting the General programme of work, 2002-2005, particularly in relation to the elaboration of the Programme budget for 2004-2005,

1. ENDORSES the draft General programme of work, 2002-2005, for submission to the Fifty-fourth World Health Assembly for consideration;

2. RECOMMENDS to the Fifty-fourth World Health Assembly the adoption of the following resolution:

The Fifty-fourth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the draft General programme of work, 2002-2005,¹ submitted to it by the Executive Board, in accordance with Article 28(g) of the Constitution;

Mindful of the challenges of the rapidly evolving context of international health and the need for WHO to adapt accordingly;

Aware of the strategic directions and core functions set out in the corporate strategy² developed by the Director-General and endorsed by the Executive Board, and of the close interrelationship of priority setting, programme planning and budgeting as products of this strategy;

Noting the greater coherence and closer linkage between the General programme of work and the Proposed programme budget 2002-2003;³

¹ Document EB107/34.
² Document EB105/3.
Welcoming the introduction of a process of programme planning supported by evaluation and prepared closer to the time of implementation as part of WHO’s efforts to become a more efficient and productive organization,


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