

## **Provisional agenda of the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly and date, place and draft provisional agenda of the 139th session of the Executive Board**

### **Report of the Director-General**

1. According to Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the Executive Board shall prepare the provisional agenda of each regular session of the Health Assembly after consideration of proposals submitted by the Director-General. Proposals from the Director-General for the provisional agenda of the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly are attached at Annex 1.
2. The Health Assembly, in resolution WHA32.36, decided that the Executive Board “shall fix a preliminary daily timetable for the Health Assembly’s consideration of its agenda and the General Committee shall review and approve this timetable, subsequently revising it if and when required”.
3. A draft preliminary daily timetable for the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly is attached at Annex 2.

### **Date, place and draft provisional agenda of the 139th session of the Executive Board**

4. Article 26 of the Constitution of WHO provides that “The Board shall meet at least twice a year and shall determine the place of each meeting.” Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board provides that the Board “shall determine at each session the time and place of its next session”.
5. It is proposed to convene the 139th session of the Executive Board on Monday, 30 May and Tuesday, 31 May 2016, at WHO headquarters, Geneva.
6. An advance copy of the draft provisional agenda of the 139th session of the Executive Board is attached at see Annex 3. It has been drawn up on the basis of mandated reporting requirements and standing items. The draft provisional agenda of the 139th session of the Executive Board will be circulated to Member States for their consideration within four weeks of the closure of the 138th session, in accordance with Rule 8 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board.

## **ACTION BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**

7. The Board may wish to adopt the following draft decisions:

### **Decision 1:**

The Executive Board, having considered the report of the Director-General on the provisional agenda of the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly,<sup>1</sup> and recalling its earlier decision that the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly should be held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, opening on Monday, 23 May 2016, and closing no later than Saturday, 28 May 2016,<sup>2</sup> approved the provisional agenda of the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly. With regard to the allocation of agenda items, the Executive Board proposed to the General Committee of the Health Assembly that it consider moving provisional agenda items 16 and 17 from the programme of work of Committee A to that of Committee B, as reflected in the preliminary daily timetable.<sup>3</sup>

### **Decision 2:**

The Executive Board decided that its 139th session should be convened on 30 and 31 May 2016, at WHO headquarters, Geneva.

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<sup>1</sup> Document EB138/50.

<sup>2</sup> See decision EB137(6).

<sup>3</sup> See document EB138/50, Annex 2.



# **Draft provisional agenda<sup>1</sup>**

## **PLENARY**

- 1. Opening of the Health Assembly**
  - 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
  - 1.2 Election of the President
  - 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
  - 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees
- 2. Report of the Executive Board on its 137th and 138th sessions**
- 3. Address by Dr Margaret Chan, Director-General**
- 4. Invited speaker**
- 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]**
- 6. Executive Board: election**
- 7. Awards**
- 8. Reports of the main committees**
- 9. Closure of the Health Assembly**

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the provisional agenda (providing document numbers) will be dispatched, together with the notice of convocation, not less than 60 days before 23 May 2016.

## COMMITTEE A

### 10. Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>

### 11. WHO reform

11.1 Overview of reform implementation

11.2 Member State consultative process on governance reform

11.3 Framework of engagement with non-State actors

### 12. Noncommunicable diseases

12.1 Maternal, infant and young child nutrition

12.2 Draft global plan of action on violence

12.3 Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases: responses to specific assignments in preparation for the third High-level Meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable diseases in 2018

12.4 Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control<sup>2</sup>

12.5 Public health dimension of the world drug problem including in the context of the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly on the World Drug Problem, to be held in 2016

12.6 Addressing the challenges of the United Nations Decade of Action for Road Safety (2011–2020): outcome of the Second Global High-level Conference on Road Safety – Time for Results

### 13. Promoting health through the life course

13.1 Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals

13.2 Health in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

13.3 Operational plan to take forward the Global Strategy on Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health

13.4 Multisectoral action for a life course approach to healthy ageing: draft global strategy and plan of action on ageing and health

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur.

<sup>2</sup> Proposed by a Member State and recommended by the Officers of the Executive Board. See document EB138/1 (annotated).

13.5 Health and the environment: draft road map for an enhanced global response to the adverse health effects of air pollution

13.6 Role of the health sector in the sound management of chemicals

#### **14. Preparedness, surveillance and response**

14.1 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

- Report of the First Meeting of the Review Committee on the Role of the International Health Regulations (2005) in the Ebola Outbreak and Response

14.2 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

14.3 Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks

14.4 Global action plan on antimicrobial resistance

14.5 Poliomyelitis

14.6 WHO response in severe, large-scale emergencies

14.7 Promoting the health of migrants

#### **15. Communicable diseases**

15.1 2014 Ebola virus disease outbreak and issues raised: follow-up to the Special Session of the Executive Board on the Ebola Emergency (resolution EBSS3.R1) and the Sixty-eighth World Health Assembly (decision WHA68(10))

- Update on 2014 Ebola virus disease outbreak and Secretariat response to other issues raised
- Options for strengthening information-sharing on diagnostic, preventive and therapeutic products and for enhancing WHO's capacity to facilitate access to these products, including the establishment of a global database, starting with haemorrhagic fevers

15.2 Draft global health sector strategies

- HIV, 2016–2021
- Viral hepatitis, 2016–2021
- Sexually transmitted infections, 2016–2021

15.3 Global vaccine action plan

15.4 Mycetoma

## COMMITTEE B

18. **Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>**
19. **Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including East Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan**
20. **Programme budget and financial matters**
  - 20.1 Programme budget 2014–2015: performance assessment
  - 20.2 Financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2015
  - 20.3 Financing of Programme budget 2016–2017
  - 20.4 Draft financial strategy for WHO
  - 20.5 Status of collection of assessed contributions, including Member States in arrears in the payment of their contributions to an extent that would justify invoking Article 7 of the Constitution
  - 20.6 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
  - 20.7 Scale of assessments
  - 20.8 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
  - 20.9 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
21. **Audit and oversight matters**
  - 21.1 Report of the External Auditor
  - 21.2 Report of the Internal Auditor
22. **Staffing matters**
  - 22.1 Human resources: annual report
  - 22.2 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
  - 22.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules
  - 22.4 Appointment of representatives of the WHO Staff Pension Committee

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

**23. Management and legal matters**

- 23.1 Evaluation: update and proposed work plan for 2016–2017
- 23.2 Real estate: update of the Geneva buildings renovation strategy
- 23.3 Process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization
- 23.4 Hosted health partnerships

**24. Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations****16. Health systems**

- 16.1 Health workforce and services
  - Draft global strategy on human resources for health: workforce 2030
  - Framework on integrated people-centred health services
- 16.2 Comprehensive evaluation of the global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property: progress update
- 16.3 Follow-up to the report of the Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination – Report of the open-ended meeting of Member States
- 16.4 Substandard/spurious/false-labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products
- 16.5 Addressing the global shortages of medicines, and the safety and accessibility of children's medication

**17. Progress reports****Communicable diseases**

- A. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16)

**Noncommunicable diseases**

- B. Sustaining the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (resolution WHA60.21)

**Promoting health through the life course**

- C. Strengthening of palliative care as a component of comprehensive care throughout the life course (resolution WHA67.19)

- D. Contributing to social and economic development: sustainable action across sectors to improve health and health equity [follow-up of the 8th Global Conference on Health Promotion] (resolution WHA67.12)
- E. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (resolution WHA57.12)

**Health systems**

- F. Health intervention and technology assessment in support of universal health coverage (resolution WHA67.23)
- G. Access to essential medicines (resolution WHA67.22)
- H. Access to biotherapeutic products, including similar biotherapeutic products, and ensuring their quality, safety and efficacy (resolution WHA67.21)
- I. WHO strategy on research for health (resolution WHA63.21)

**Corporate services/enabling functions**

- J. Multilingualism: implementation of action plan (resolution WHA61.12)



## ANNEX 2

**PRELIMINARY DAILY TIMETABLE FOR THE  
SIXTY-NINTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY**

May 2016	Plenary	Committee A	Committee B	Other
<b>Monday 23</b>				
09:30	1. Opening of the Health Assembly 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials 1.2 Election of the President 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee	–	–	–
10:30	–	–	–	General Committee
11:30	– Presidential address 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees 2. Report of the Executive Board on its EBSS, 137th and 138th sessions 4. Invited speaker  ...	–	–	–
14:30	3. Address by the Director-General – General discussion	–	–	–
		10. Opening of the Committee 13. Promoting health through the life course		

May 2016	Plenary	Committee A	Committee B	Other
<b>Tuesday 24</b>				
09:00	3. Address by the Director-General – General discussion (continued)  ...	11. WHO reform  ...	–  ...	–  ...
14:30	3. Address by the Director-General – General discussion (continued)	13. Promoting health through the life course (continued) 15. Communicable diseases	–	Committee on Credentials
<b>Wednesday 25</b>				
09:00 and 14:30	– Report of Committee on Credentials 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any] –	15. Communicable diseases (continued)	18. Opening of the Committee 19. Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan	–
17:30	–	–	16. Health systems –	General Committee (list for election, Executive Board)

May 2016	Plenary	Committee A	Committee B	Other
<b>Thursday 26</b> 09:00 and 14:30	–	12. Noncommunicable diseases	16. Health systems (continued)	–
<b>Friday 27</b> 09:00 and 14:30	7. Awards 6. Executive Board: election 8. Reports of the main committees – ... –	– 12. Noncommunicable diseases (continued) 14. Preparedness, surveillance and response ... 14. Preparedness, surveillance and response (continued)	– 20. Programme budget and financial matters 21. Audit and oversight matters 22. Staffing matters 23. Management and legal matters 24. Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations 17. Progress reports ... – Finalization of resolutions and reports	– – ... –
<b>Saturday 28</b> 09:00	– 8. Reports of the main committees (continued) 9. Closure of the Health Assembly	– Finalization of resolutions and reports –	– –	– –



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**EB138/50  
ANNEX 3**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD  
139th session  
Geneva, May 2016**

**EB139/1 (draft)**

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## **Draft provisional agenda**

- 1. Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur**
- 2. Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Outcome of the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly**
- 4. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**
- 5. Technical and health matters**
  - 5.1 Dementia<sup>1</sup>
  - 5.2 Assistive technology for disability<sup>1</sup>
  - 5.3 Development of a new Health Assembly resolution and action plan for prevention of deafness and hearing loss<sup>1</sup>
  - 5.4 Health and climate change<sup>1</sup>
  - 5.5 International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems: update on the eleventh revision
- 6. Management and financial matters**
  - 6.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 6.2 Committees of the Executive Board: filling of vacancies

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<sup>1</sup> Proposed by Member States for the 138th session of the Board and recommended for deferral to the Board's session in May 2016 by the Officers of the Executive Board (see document EB138/1 (annotated)).

6.3 Proposals for WHO to host formal partnerships [if any]

6.4 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

**7. Staffing matters**

7.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations

7.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

**8. Matters for information: report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**

**9. Future sessions of the Executive Board and the Health Assembly**

**10. Closure of the session**

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