

Governance reform: follow-up to decision WHA69(8) (2016)

The Director-General has the honour to transmit to the Executive Board for its consideration the relative weightings proposed by the Officers of the Board (see Annex) in accordance with the Officers' proposals concerning criteria and factors for the inclusion of additional items on the Board's provisional agenda, which are outlined in document EB140/40.

ANNEX

**RELATIVE WEIGHTINGS PROPOSED BY THE OFFICERS OF THE BOARD
IN RELATION TO THE CRITERIA AND FACTORS FOR THE INCLUSION
OF ADDITIONAL ITEMS ON THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA
OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD**

1. Further to the Officers' proposal outlined in document EB140/40 (Annex) to establish a tool for the prioritization of proposals for additional items on the provisional agenda of the Board, the Officers determined the relative weighting for each of the factors that would be used by the Officers regarding inclusion of a proposed item.
2. The process that was followed to determine such weightings is described in document EB140/40 (Annex). The outcome of such process is presented below for the Board's consideration.

Criterion A The proposal addresses a global public health issue	Relative weighting	Score by the Officer of the Board
Factor A.1 The current health situation including changes, if any, in demographic and epidemiological trends	Up to 11	
Factor A.2 The public health burden it has at global/regional and country level	Up to 13	
Factor A.3 The extent to which it addresses an urgent, emerging or neglected health issue	Up to 12	
Factor A.4 The extent to which it is perceived as being of a global public health threat	Up to 19	

Criterion B The proposal addresses a new subject within the scope of WHO	Relative weighting	Score by the Officer of the Board
Factor B.1 The proposal falls within the mandate and capacities of WHO	Up to 12	
Factor B.2 The comparative advantage of WHO in addressing the proposal	Up to 10	
Factor B.3 The proposal introduces a subject which is deemed to be of interest to public health and which has never been discussed at WHO	Up to 12	
Factor B.4 The proposal raises for re-discussion an issue which has not been discussed within WHO global fora for the past 4 (four) years	Up to 4	

Criterion C The proposal brings up for discussion internationally agreed instruments which involve or impact health or declarations, agreements, resolutions or decisions adopted in other WHO international fora	Relative weighting	Score by the Officer of the Board
Factor C.1 The added value reopening the discussion of the subject will bring to public health	Up to 6	
Factor C.2 The need for collective action through WHO for the implementation of any commitments	Up to 6	
Factor C.3 The need for Member States to seek country technical support from WHO for the implementation of any commitments	Up to 3	
Factor C.4 The existence of other resolutions, decisions taken by the governing bodies that could fulfill the perceived need in Factors A.2 and A.3	Up to 4	

Criterion D The existence of evidence based, cost-effective interventions to address the subject being proposed	Relative weighting	Score by the Officer of the Board
Factor D.1 The solidity of the evidence submitted by proponent	Up to 10	
Factor D.2 The cost effectiveness of the proposal	Up to 8	
Factor D.3 The potential for using knowledge and innovative science and technology to address the subject	Up to 5	
Factor D.4 The potential resource impact for the Organization	Up to 4	

Criterion E The urgency of the proposal	Relative weighting	Score by the Officer of the Board
Factor E.1 The extent to which immediate action is required to address the public health issue with potential global impact being raised	Up to 23	
Factor E.2 The criticality of negative impact of a delay in addressing such public health issue	Up to 18	
Factor E.3 Keeping E.1 and E.2 in mind, the impact the introduction of the item will have on the workload, effective management and running of the meeting	Up to 14	
Factor E.4 The feasibility of postponing the proposal for inclusion in the agenda of future meetings	Up to 6	

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