
Health, environment and climate change

Draft decision with amendments proposed by Member States

The Executive Board,

Taking note of the report on health, environment and climate change,¹ the commitment by the Director-General “to address health effects of climate change in small island developing States and other vulnerable settings” as platforms within the draft thirteenth general programme of work 2019–2023, and the launch of that initiative at the twenty-third session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (Bonn, Germany, 6–17 November 2017), **also welcoming the United Nations Environment Assembly resolution UNEP/EA.3/L.8/Rev.1 on environment and health; as well as decisions XII/21, XIII/3 and XIII/6 of the Convention on Biological Diversity, on health and biodiversity, and mainstreaming biodiversity within and across sectors; [Mexico] decided to request the Director-General:**

1. To develop, as a priority and in consultation with Member States and other stakeholders as appropriate, and in coordination also with the regional offices, **a draft action plan for the platforms to address health effects of climate change initially in small island developing States and subsequently in other vulnerable settings [Fiji] and to submit the draft action plan for consideration by the Seventy-second World Health Assembly in May 2019, through the Executive Board at its 144th session in January 2019; [EU]**
2. To develop, in consultation with Member States and other stakeholders as appropriate, and in coordination also with the regional offices **and with other relevant UN- programmes and specialized agencies such as UNEP, [EU] a draft comprehensive global strategy on health, environment and climate change, with special attention to the work environment [Sri Lanka] to be considered by the Seventy-second World Health Assembly in May 2019, through the Executive Board at its 144th session in January 2019;**
3. To ensure that, in accordance with decision WHA65(9) (2012), the regional committees are asked to comment and provide input on the global strategy on health, environment and climate change.

¹ EB142/12.

(3bis) bearing in mind the World Health Organization and Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (2015) State of Knowledge Review “Connecting Global Priorities: Biodiversity and Human Health”, to report on actions taken on the interlinkages between human health and biodiversity to be presented to the consideration of the 71st Health Assembly in order to prepare WHO contribution to the 14th Conference of the Parties of the Convention of Biological Diversity. [Mexico]

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