



JOURNAL

Issued in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, and Spanish

Available on Internet : www.who.int/gb

Seventieth World Health Assembly

N° 6

27 May 2017

Programme of meetings for Saturday, 27 May 2017

Time	Committee A <i>Room XVIII</i>
09:30	Ninth meeting

Contents

1. Programme of work of the Health Assembly
2. Report of meetings
3. Other meetings
4. Arrangements for conduct of discussion in meetings
5. Announcements

Interpretation

Interpretation is provided in the official languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) to help delegates follow the discussions. To ensure statements are interpreted as clearly as possible, delegates are requested to send a copy of statements they plan to make to interpret@who.int at least 30 minutes in advance. For further information on length and delivery of statements please see section 4 of the Journal.

WHA App

The World Health Assembly application allows you to receive updates on the WHA70 programme of work and access documentation directly on your mobile device. Search "World Health Assembly" in the store or scan the QR code below and download the application in your device. The ID and password to use the application can be obtained next to the WHA registration booth.



Facilities available on Saturday, 27 May 2017

Please note that the cafeteria will be closed on Saturday, 27 May. However, the snack bar, located in the Concordia area between doors 13 and 15, will be open from 07:30 to 09:00 and the Bar du Serpent, located on the first floor of the E Building, will be open from 08:30 to 13:00.

The News Kiosk, Post Office, Travel Agent and Bank, all located near door 6, will be closed.

1. Programme of work of the Health Assembly

Saturday, 27 May 2017

Ninth meeting of Committee A **Room XVIII – 09:30–12:30**

- **Draft fourth report of Committee A**
Document (Draft) A70/73 containing one resolution entitled:
– *Improving the prevention, diagnosis and clinical management of sepsis*
and one decision entitled:
– *Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)*

Item 13 (continued) Health systems

Item 13.3 (continued) Addressing the global shortage of, and access to, medicines and vaccines

Document A70/20

Item 13.6 Member State mechanism on substandard/spurious/false-labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products

Documents A70/23, A70/23 Add.1 and EB140/2017/REC/1, decision EB140(6)

Item 14 Communicable diseases

Item 14.1 Global vaccine action plan

Documents A70/25, A70/A/CONF./1 and A70/A/CONF./1 Add.1

If time permits

Item 14.2 Global vector control response

Documents A70/26 Rev.1, A70/26 Rev.1 Add.1 and A70/26 Rev.1 Add.2

Monday, 29 May 2017

Ninth plenary meeting **Assembly Hall – 09:00**

Item 6 Executive Board: election

Document A70/70

Item 8 (continued) Reports of the main committees

Tenth and eleventh meetings of Committee A **Room XVIII – Immediately after conclusion of Item 8 in plenary and 14:30**

Item 13 (continued) Health systems

Item 13.7 – Promoting the health of refugees and migrants

Documents A70/24, A70/A/CONF./7, A70/A/CONF./7 Add.1 and A70/A/CONF./7 Rev.1

- Item 16 Promoting health through the life course**
- Item 16.1 – Progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
Documents A70/35, A70/A/CONF./2 and A70/A/CONF./2 Add.1
- Item 16.2 – The role of the health sector in the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management towards the 2020 goal and beyond
Documents A70/36 and A70/36 Add.1
- Item 16.3 – Global Strategy for Women’s, Children’s and Adolescents’ Health (2016–2030): adolescents’ health
Document A70/37

Fifth and sixth meetings of Committee B Room XVII – Immediately after conclusion of Item 8 in plenary and 14:30

- **Draft second report of Committee B**
Document (Draft) A70/74 containing two decisions entitled:
– *Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee*
– *Infrastructure Fund*
and one resolution entitled:
– *Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General*

Item 23 (continued) Management, legal and governance matters

- Item 23.2 (continued) – Governance reform: follow-up to decision WHA69(8) (2016)
Documents A70/51 and A70/51 Add.1

Item 15 (continued) Noncommunicable diseases (transferred from Committee A)

- Item 15.1 (continued) – Preparation for the third High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases, to be held in 2018
Documents A70/27 and A70/B/CONF./2
- Item 15.2 – Draft global action plan on the public health response to dementia
Documents A70/28 and EB140/2017/REC/1, decision EB140(7)
- Item 15.3 – Public health dimension of the world drug problem
Documents A70/29, A70/A/CONF./6 and A70/A/CONF./6 Add.1
- Item 15.4 – Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition
Document A70/30
- Item 15.5 – Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan
Documents A70/31, A70/A/CONF./10 and A70/A/CONF./10 Add.1
- Item 15.6 – Cancer prevention and control in the context of an integrated approach
Documents A70/32, A70/A/CONF./9 and A70/A/CONF./9 Add.1
- Item 15.7 – Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control
Documents A70/33, A70/A/CONF./3 and A70/A/CONF./3 Add.1
- Item 15.8 – Prevention of deafness and hearing loss
Documents A70/34 and EB139/2016/REC/1, resolution EB139.R1

Finalization of resolutions and reports

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

Twelfth and thirteenth meetings of Committee A

Room XVIII – 09:00 and 14:30

Item 17

Progress reports

Document A70/38

Noncommunicable diseases

- A. WHO global disability action plan 2014–2021: better health for all people with disability (resolution WHA67.7 (2014))
- B. 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 (resolution WHA69.7 (2016))
- C. Towards universal eye health: a global action plan 2014–2019 (resolution WHA66.4 (2013))

Communicable diseases

- D. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16 (2011))
- E. Global strategy and targets for tuberculosis prevention, care and control after 2015 (resolution WHA67.1 (2014))
- F. Global technical strategy and targets for malaria 2016–2030 (resolution WHA68.2 (2015))

Promoting health through the life course

- G. Public health impacts of exposure to mercury and mercury compounds: the role of WHO and ministries of public health in the implementation of the Minamata Convention (resolution WHA67.11 (2014))
- H. Strategy for integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO (resolution WHA60.25 (2007))

Health systems

- I. Progress in the rational use of medicines (resolution WHA60.16 (2007))
- J. Regulatory system strengthening for medical products (resolution WHA67.20 (2014))
- K. Strengthening emergency and essential surgical care and anaesthesia as a component of universal health coverage (resolution WHA68.15 (2015))

Preparedness, surveillance and response

- L. Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks (resolution WHA60.1 (2007))
- M. Enhancement of laboratory biosafety (resolution WHA58.29 (2005))

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

Fourteenth meeting of Committee A

Room XVIII – 09:00

Finalization of resolutions and reports

Tenth plenary meeting

Assembly Hall – Immediately following the closure of Committee A

Item 8 (continued) **Reports of the main committees**

Item 9 **Closure of the Health Assembly**

2. Report of meetings

Eighth plenary meeting

In the chair: Professor Veronica Skvortsova (Russian Federation)
President of the Seventieth World Health Assembly

The President informed the Health Assembly that in view of the progress of work of both Committees, the General Committee decided to transfer agenda item 15 *Noncommunicable diseases*, from Committee A to Committee B. This information has already been announced in Committees A and B.

Item 7

Awards

The President welcomed the distinguished recipients of the prizes and the representatives of the foundations.

- **Sasakawa Health Prize**

The President announced that the 2017 Sasakawa Health Prize has been awarded to Dr Arslan Rinchin of Mongolia.

Mr Yohei Sasakawa, WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Leprosy Elimination and Chairman of the Nippon Foundation, addressed the Assembly on behalf of the Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation.

Her Excellency, Ms Ayush Tsogtsetseg, Minister of Health of Mongolia, received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

- **United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize**

The President announced that the 2017 United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize has been awarded to Professor Lô Boubou Baïdy of Mauritania.

His Excellency, Ambassador Obaid Salem Saeed Al Zaabi, Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations Office, representing the United Arab Emirates Health Foundation, addressed the Assembly.

Professor Lô Boubou Baïdy received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

- **Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health**

The President announced that the 2017 Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health has been awarded to the Henry Reeve International Medical Brigade of Cuba.

Mr Yo han IHN, President of the Korea Foundation for International Health Care, addressed the Assembly on behalf of the Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Fund.

His Excellency, Dr Roberto Morales Ojeda, Minister of Health of Cuba and Dr Felix Baey Sarria, member of the Henry Reeve International Medical Brigade, received the award. His Excellency, Dr Roberto Morales Ojeda addressed the Health Assembly.

Item 8

Reports of the main committees

Second draft report of Committee A

The President (Russian Federation) read out the second draft report of Committee A, document (draft) A70/69 containing one resolution entitled:

– *Programme budget 2018-2019*

The resolution was adopted and the second draft report of Committee A was approved. The meeting was adjourned.

Seventh meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Dr Hanan Mohamed Al-Kuwari (Qatar)

Draft third report of Committee A

The Chairman invited the Rapporteur Mr Ioannis Baskozos (Greece), to read out the third draft report of Committee A, document (draft) A70/72 containing two decisions entitled:

- *Poliomyelitis: polio transition planning*
- *Review of the Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Framework*

and one resolution entitled:

- *Human resources for health and implementation of the outcomes of the United Nations' High-Level Commission on Health Employment and Economic Growth*

The third draft report of Committee A was adopted.

Item 12 (continued) Preparedness, surveillance and response

Item 12.2 (continued) Antimicrobial resistance

The Chairman resumed discussion of the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the draft resolution contained in document A70/A/CONF./11. Amendments received from the floor were read out by the Secretariat. The Committee approved the draft resolution, as amended. The subitem was closed.

Item 12.4 (continued) Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

The Chairman reopened the subitem and invited the Chair of the informal consultation to read the text of the new draft decision. The Committee approved the draft decision and the subitem was closed.

Item 13 (continued) Health systems

Item 13.2 Principles on the donation and management of blood, blood components and other medical products of human origin

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report and provide further guidance on the draft framework of guiding principles contained in document A70/19. The Secretariat responded to issues raised and the Committee noted the report. The subitem was closed.

Item 13.3 Addressing the global shortage of, and access to, medicines and vaccines

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A70/20. The Secretariat was asked to respond to issues raised. Consideration of the subitem was deferred to the eighth meeting of Committee A.

Item 13.4 Evaluation and review of the global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A70/21. Due to time constraints, the Chairman announced that discussion of the subitem would be postponed until the next meeting of Committee A.

The meeting was adjourned.

Third meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Dr Molwyn Joseph (Antigua and Barbuda)

– **Draft first report of Committee B**

The Chairman invited the Rapporteur Dr Nguyen Manh Cuong (Viet Nam), to read out the first draft report of Committee B, document (draft) A70/71 containing three decisions entitled:

- *Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan*
- *WHO mid-term programmatic and financial report for 2016–2017, including audited financial statements for 2016*
- *Report of the External Auditor*

and two resolutions entitled:

- *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*
- *Scale of assessments for 2018-2019*

The first draft report of Committee B was adopted.

Item 22 Staffing matters

Item 22.1 Human Resources: annual report

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to questions raised and the Committee noted the report contained in document A70/45.

Item 22.2 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Committee noted the report contained in document A70/46.

Item 22.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A70/47. The Committee noted the report and approved resolution EB140.R9 submitted by the Executive Board.

Item 22.4 Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to questions raised and the Committee noted the report contained in document A70/48.

Item 22.5 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

The Chairman opened the subitem and the Committee agreed to the nominations of Dr Naoko Yamamoto (Japan) and Dr Gerardo Lubin Burgos Bernal (Colombia) as members of the WHO Staff Pension Committee for the remainder of their terms of office until May 2019. The Committee also agreed to the nominations of Dr Asad Hafeez (Pakistan), Dr Papa Amadou Diack (Senegal), and Dr Alan Ludowyke (Sri Lanka) as alternate members of the WHO Staff Pension Committee for a three-year term until May 2020.

Item 23 Management, legal and governance matters

Item 23.1 Overview of WHO reform implementation

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Committee noted the reports contained in document A70/50, A70/50 Add.1 and A70/50 Add.2.

Item 23.2 Governance reform: follow-up to decision WHA69(8) (2016)

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. It was announced that discussion of the subitem would resume at the next meeting of Committee B.

The meeting was adjourned.

Eighth meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Dr Hanan Mohamed Al-Kuwari (Qatar)

Later: Mr Philip Davies (Fiji)

Item 13.4 Evaluation and review of the global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property

The Chairman invited the Committee to resume the discussion on the report contained in document A70/21. The Secretariat responded to issues raised. The Committee noted the report, thus closing the subitem.

Item 13.5 Follow-up of the report of the Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A70/22. The Chairman invited the Secretariat to respond to issues raised. The Committee noted the report, thus closing the subitem.

Item 13.3 (continued) Addressing the global shortage of and access to, medicines and vaccines

The Chairman invited the Committee to resume discussion on the report contained in document A70/20. Due to time constraints the subitem was suspended until the ninth meeting of Committee A.

The meeting was adjourned.

Fourth meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Dr Molwyn Joseph (Antigua and Barbuda)

Item 23 (continued) **Management, legal and governance matters**

Item 23.2 (continued) Governance reform: follow-up to decision WHA69(8) (2016)

The Chairman reopened the subitem. Three delegations requested to suspend the item to the next meeting of the Committee. Discussion of the subitem was suspended.

Item 23.3 Engagement with non-State actors

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to questions raised and the Committee noted the reports contained in documents A70/52 and A70/53.

Item 23.4 Proposed Infrastructure Fund (consolidating the Real Estate Fund and IT Fund)

The Chairman opened the subitem and read out a correction to the draft decision. The Chairman invited comments from the floor and the Secretariat responded to questions raised. The Committee approved the draft decision contained in document A70/65 as corrected.

Item 24 Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations

The Chairman opened the item and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to questions raised and the Committee noted the report contained in document A70/55.

Item 15 **Noncommunicable diseases** (*transferred from Committee A*)

Item 15.1 Preparation for the third High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases, to be held in 2018

The Chairman invited the Chair of the Executive Board to introduce this subitem. The Chairman then opened the floor for discussion. Due to time constraints, it was decided to continue discussion of this subitem at the next meeting of Committee B.

The meeting was adjourned.

3. Other meetings

The Secretariat has been advised that the following meetings will take place during the Seventieth World Health Assembly.

Saturday, 27 May 2017

08:00–08:45 Room IV	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
08:00–08:50 Concordia 4	Nordic Group Meeting.
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.

Monday, 29 May 2017

07:45–08:45 Room VII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the Americas Region (AMRO/GRUA).
08:00–08:45 Room IV	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region.
08:00–08:50 Concordia 4	Nordic Group Meeting.
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
08:15–08:45 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region.
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
18:00–19:30 Room VII	Bridging the gap between evidence and policy: the role of Parliamentarians in advancing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Organized by the delegations of Austria, Bangladesh, Cameroon, Italy, the UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF/WHO/World Bank Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction (HRP), Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn & Child Health (PMNCH) and the WHO Secretariat.
18:00–19:30 Room IX	Community health workers as catalysts in the implementation of the recommendations by the High-Level Commission on Health Employment and Economic Growth. Organized by Amref Health Africa and IntraHealth International Inc.

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

07:45–08:45 Room VII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the Americas Region (AMRO/GRUA).
08:00–08:45 Room IV	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region.
08:00–08:50 Concordia 4	Nordic Group Meeting.
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
08:15–08:45 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region.
08:30–08:40 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
18:00–19:30 Room IX	Embodying the future: How to improve the nutrition status of adolescents”. Organized by the delegations of the Netherlands and Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition.
18:00–19:30 Room XXIV	Commemoration of World No Tobacco Day 2017 — a threat to development. Organized by the delegations of Australia, Bhutan, Estonia, Georgia, India, Morocco, Panama, Senegal and Uganda.

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

08:00–08:45 Room IV	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region.
08:00–08:50 Concordia 4	Nordic Group Meeting.
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
08:15–08:45 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region.
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.

4. Arrangements for conduct of discussion in meetings

Interpretation is provided in the official languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) to help delegates follow the discussions. Delegates are requested to send a copy of statements they plan to make to interpret@who.int or to give a paper copy to the conference officers in the room at least 30 minutes before delivery. This does not prevent delegates from making changes on delivery but will facilitate clarity and accuracy in all languages. Under 'Subject' and at the top of the statement please state the name of the country/group, the meeting (e.g. Plenary, Committee A, Committee B, Executive Board) and the relevant agenda item number.

Individual statements in Committees A and B are limited to 3 minutes (330 words) and group statements to five minutes (550 words). Delegates are requested to deliver statements at a normal speaking pace. Rapid delivery risks impeding clarity and accuracy in interpretation. Statements provided in advance are treated as confidential and checked against delivery for the purpose of the official record.

5. Announcements

Facilities

A business centre for delegates to the Health Assembly is available in Room A.821 for word processing and photocopying needs.

Open access to wireless connection is available in all important common areas in the Palais des Nations.

- World Health Organization web site: <http://www.who.int>
- World Health Assembly and Executive Board documentation: <http://apps.who.int/gb/>

WHO information products and souvenirs on sale

The WHO bookshop is located at the Palais des Nations in the new hall “Concordia” between doors 13 and 15. The latest publications and information products issued by WHO and its regional offices are available at a 50% discount. WHO souvenirs are also on display. The bookshop is open Monday to Friday from 09:00 to 16:30 at the Palais des Nations and from 09:00 to 16:30 at WHO Headquarters.

Personal mail

Delegates and representatives of nongovernmental organizations in official relations with WHO are kindly requested to collect **every day** their personal mail, messages, invitations at the enquiry desk.

Medical service

Delegates who require medical attention can call 022 791 3040.

WHA App

The World Health Assembly application allows you to receive updates on the WHA70 programme of work and access documentation directly on your mobile device. Search “World Health Assembly” in the store or scan the QR code below and download the application in your device. The ID and password to use the application can be obtained next to the WHA registration booth.



Video streaming

The Plenary, Committee A and Committee B sessions will be webcast in the six UN languages. The webcasts can be viewed on Mac and PCs, as well as all mobile devices including iPhone, iPad, Android and Windows-enabled phones.

- Arabic: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/events/2017/wha70/webstreaming/ar/index.html>
- Chinese: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/events/2017/wha70/webstreaming/zh/index.html>
- English: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/events/2017/wha70/webstreaming/en/index.html>
- French: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/events/2017/wha70/webstreaming/fr/index.html>
- Russian: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/events/2017/wha70/webstreaming/ru/index.html>
- Spanish: <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/events/2017/wha70/webstreaming/es/index.html>

== =