

**Formal meeting of Member States to complete the work on
the terms of reference for the United Nations Interagency
Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable
Diseases, including a division of tasks and responsibilities for
United Nations funds, programmes and agencies and
other international organizations
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**Draft terms of reference for the United Nations Interagency Task
Force on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases,
including a division of tasks and responsibilities for United Nations
funds, programmes and agencies and other international
organizations: report of the first meeting of the United Nations
Interagency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of
Noncommunicable Diseases**

Report by the Director-General

In line with the provisions of ECOSOC resolution E/RES/2013/12 adopted on 22 July 2013 on the United Nations Interagency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases and World Health Assembly resolution WHA66.10 adopted on 27 May 2013 on Follow-up to the Political Declaration of the High-level Meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases; in view of the leadership and coordination role assigned to WHO by the United Nations General Assembly, the requirement to work together with other United Nations funds, programmes and agencies to conclude the work, before the end of October 2013, on a division of tasks and responsibilities for United Nations funds, programmes and agencies and other international organizations, the request to the United Nations Secretary-General, in close collaboration with the Director-General, and in full consultation with Member States through the World Health Organization, to develop the terms of reference for the United Nations Interagency Task Force for the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases, incorporating, but not limited to, the work of the United Nations Ad Hoc Interagency Task Force on Tobacco Control and the current work of the WHO Secretariat to develop a division of tasks and responsibilities, as exemplified by Appendix 4 to the WHO Global Action Plan for the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases; the Director-General has the honour to present a report that summarizes the outcomes of the first meeting of the United Nations Interagency Taskforce on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases.

ANNEX

1. The first meeting of the United Nations Interagency Taskforce on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases met from 2 to 3 October 2013 in Geneva and was chaired by the Assistant Director-General for Noncommunicable Diseases of the World Health Organization. The meeting was attended by representatives from (in alphabetical order) the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the International Development Law Organization (IDLO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the International Labour Organization (ILO), the International Telecommunications Union (ITU), the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT), the United Nations Sport for Development and Peace (UNOSDP), the United Nations Standing Committee on Nutrition (UNSCN), the World Food Programme (WFP), the World Health Organization (WHO), the Convention Secretariat of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC), the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), the World Bank, and the World Trade Organization (WTO).

2. The main objective of the meeting was to conclude the work on the development of draft terms of reference for the Task Force, including a division of tasks and responsibilities for United Nations funds, programmes and agencies and other international organizations, for consideration by Member States at the formal meeting of Member States to complete the work on the terms of reference for the United Nations Interagency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases, including a division of tasks and responsibilities for United Nations funds, programmes and agencies and other international organizations which will be convened by WHO on 13 November 2013 in Geneva.

3. The draft terms of reference included in the WHO Discussion Paper entitled *Terms of Reference for the United Nations Interagency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases, including a division of tasks and responsibilities for United Nations organizations and other intergovernmental organizations* (version dated 11 October 2013)¹ were agreed by consensus by the participating United Nations funds, programmes and agencies and other intergovernmental organizations.

4. The first meeting of the United Nations Interagency Taskforce on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases requested the Director-General to submit the WHO Discussion Paper (version dated 11 October 2013) to the formal meeting of Member States to complete the work on the terms of reference for the United Nations Interagency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases, including a division of tasks and responsibilities for United Nations funds, programmes and agencies and other international organizations for its consideration.

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¹ Available at http://www.who.int/nmh/events/ncd_task_force/en/index.html.