



WHA79 Official Side Events



World Health
Organization

Wednesday, 20 May 2026

13:00–14:20

#	Event title	Organizers / Co-sponsors	Location
Palais des Nations			
30	Exploring integrated and equitable approaches to obesity prevention and management within health systems	Dominican Republic, Cochrane Collaboration, Asociación Latinoamericana de Diabetes, El Salvador, Panama, World Diabetes Foundation, Mexico, World Obesity Federation, Chile	Salle VIII
34	Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights: Preserving Essential Services Amid Funding Pressures	Guyana, Malawi, Barbados, Germany	Salle XI
WHO Headquarters			
29	WHA Global Parliamentary Forum — From Commitment to Action: Advancing Parliamentary Leadership for the WHO Pandemic Agreement Implementation and Sustainable Financing for Health	IPU and WHO	Salle A
31	From Global Commitments to Integrated Lung Health Action: Advancing early diagnosis of lung cancer and access to inhaled medicines for COPD and asthma	Malaysia, The Union, UICC, FIRS, Kenya, Philippines, Brazil	Salle C
32	Accelerating Trusted Digital Health Transformation: Strengthening Data Governance, Interoperability, and Responsible AI for Universal Health Coverage	Oman, China, Egypt, Kuwait, Palestine, Tunisia, Qatar, Transform Health, World Medical Association	Salle B
33	Healthcare financing: Bridging Traditional and Innovative financing for UHC	Jordan, Türkiye, Burkina Faso, OIC, Syrian Arab Republic	Garden Room T



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18:00–19:30

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36	Call to Action for Advancing Biomanufacturing Self-Reliance: From Policy to Practice in Local Manufacturing	Philippines, IVI, Kenya, Brazil, Republic of Korea	Salle XI
39	Gestational Diabetes and beyond: Strengthening Primary Care for Integrated Reno-Metabolic Health Across the Life Course	Kenya, Guatemala, Tanzania, UNFPA, International Diabetes Federation, ISN, WDF, Novo Nordisk Foundation	Room VIII
41	Artificial Intelligence in Health: Laws, Ethical Oversight, Research, and Equity	India, Ethiopia, France, Nepal, Switzerland, Sri Lanka, Thailand	Room XVI
WHO Headquarters			
35	Honoring the Legacy of Dr LEE Jong-wook: 20 Years Advancing Global Health Equity (18:30–20:00)	Republic of Korea, KOFIH, China, Sri Lanka, Lao PDR, Ethiopia, Tanzania, WHO	EB Room
37	Advancing Refugee and Migrant Health in countries: Shared experiences, successes, challenges, and the path forward	Spain, Colombia, Egypt, Nepal	Salle B
38	Elevating Hepatitis Elimination on the Global Political Agenda: From World Health Assembly to UN General Assembly	Cameroon, Brazil, Uganda, Pakistan, Malaysia, Coalition for Global Hepatitis Elimination, African Union Commission	Garden Room T
40	Health financing (EMRO Regional Roundtable) — Upon invitation	EMRO Regional Roundtable	Salle A
42	Strengthening Equitable Access to Medical Imaging through Teleradiology and Digital Health	Egypt, DITTA, Chile, Georgia, Palestine, Tunisia, GMTA	Salle C