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## Report on expert advisory panel and committees and their membership

Report by the Secretariat<sup>1</sup>

#### ESTABLISHMENT OR DISESTABLISHMENT OF EXPERT ADVISORY PANELS

1. No change has occurred during 2000.

#### MEMBERSHIP OF THE EXPERT ADVISORY PANELS

- 2. Membership of the 54 expert advisory panels totalled 1552 in December 2000, compared with 1676 in December 1999. Of the 1552 experts, 255 are women.
- 3. A summary of numbers of members of WHO expert advisory panels by subject and region, as of December 2000, including women experts, is given in the table below. Further details (alphabetical list of experts giving nationality, sex and year of birth) can be made available should members of the Board so request.

#### **MEETINGS OF EXPERT COMMITTEES**

4. The following committees met in 2000:

Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (54th Session), Geneva, 15-24 February 2000 (five WHO members: four men, one woman)

Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (55th Session), Geneva, 6-15 June 2000 (seven WHO members: six men, one woman)

Expert Committee on Drug Dependence (32nd Session), Geneva, 12-15 September 2000 (six members: all men)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This report is submitted to the Executive Board in compliance with regulation 4.23 of the Regulations for Expert Advisory Panels and Committees.

Advisory Committee on Health Research (38th Session), Bangkok, 7-9 October 2000 (13 members: eight men, five women)

Expert Committee on Biological Standardization, Geneva, 30 October – 3 November 2000 (eight members: six men, two women)

Expert Committee on Chagas Disease, Brasilia, 20-28 November 2000 (10 members: six men, four women)

5. Invitations to take part in these meetings were extended to 49 panel members from 30 different countries, drawn from 11 expert advisory panels.

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### MEMBERSHIP OF WHO EXPERT ADVISORY PANELS BY PANEL AND REGION

(Numbers of panel members, as of December 2000; numbers of women members in square brackets)

WHO expert advisory panels	Africa		The Americas		South-East Asia		Europe		Eastern Mediterra- nean		Western Pacific		Total	
Acute bacterial diseases	1	[0]	8	[1]	3	[0]	24	[4]	3	[0]	3	[1]	42	[6]
Acute diarrhoeal diseases and other enteric infections	0	[0]	1	[0]	3	[2]	3	[0]	0	[0]	1	[0]	8	[2]
Ageing and health	3	[3]	6	[3]	1	[0]	14	[3]	2	[1]	2	[0]	28	[10]
Biological standardization	0	[0]	9	[4]	4	[2]	22	[2]	2	[0]	6	[1]	43	[9]
Blood transfusion medicine	2	[0]	2	[1]	2	[1]	7	[2]	2	[1]	5	[3]	20	[8]
Brucellosis	0	[0]	1	[0]	0	[0]	1	[0]	0	[0]	0	[0]	2	[0]
Cancer	2	[0]	12	[3]	4	[2]	12	[0]	1	[0]	5	[1]	36	[6]
Cardiovascular diseases	7	[0]	15	[2]	9	[2]	24	[2]	5	[0]	12	[1]	72	[7]
Chronic degenerative diseases (diabetes)	3	[0]	3	[0]	3	[1]	7	[0]	1	[0]	2	[0]	19	[1]
Chronic degenerative diseases (rheumatic diseases)	0	[0]	1	[0]	1	[0]	1	[1]	0	[0]	1	[0]	4	[1]
Development of human resources for health	5	[2]	7	[2]	5	[0]	9	[0]	4	[0]	4	[0]	34	[4]
Drug dependence and alcohol problems	2	[0]	4	[2]	1	[0]	13	[4]	1	[0]	6	[2]	27	[8]
Drug dependence (dependence liability evaluation)	1	[0]	9	[0]	0	[0]	5	[0]	2	[0]	3	[1]	20	[1]
Drug evaluation	8	[1]	7	[1]	3	[1]	11	[1]	6	[1]	7	[1]	42	[6]
Drug policies and management	5	[0]	5	[1]	3	[0]	7	[0]	2	[0]	6	[1]	28	[2]
Emergency and humanitarian action	0	[0]	2	[1]	0	[0]	0	[0]	0	[0]	1	[0]	3	[1]
Environmental health	4	[0]	7	[1]	3	[0]	3	[0]	3	[0]	1	[0]	21	[1]
Food safety	4	[0]	16	[4]	2	[1]	18	[1]	1	[0]	4	[0]	45	[6]
Health and biomedical information	0	[0]	1	[0]	0	[0]	1	[0]	0	[0]	0	[0]	2	[0]
Health laboratory services	3	[1]	12	[2]	2	[1]	19	[3]	6	[2]	6	[2]	48	[11]
Health of seafarers	0	[0]	1	[0]	0	[0]	3	[0]	0	[0]	1	[0]	5	[0]
Health promotion and education	0	[0]	1	[0]	1	[1]	0	[0]	1	[1]	0	[0]	3	[2]
Health science and technology policy	6	[1]	8	[1]	4	[1]	11	[0]	1	[0]	6	[2]	36	[5]
Health situation and trend assessment	0	[0]	2	[0]	4	[0]	9	[2]	3	[1]	1	[0]	19	[3]
Human blood products and related substances	3	[0]	3	[0]	2	[1]	4	[1]	3	[1]	2	[1]	17	[4]
Human genetics	1	[0]	10	[1]	2	[0]	14	[1]	2	[0]	4	[1]	33	[3]
Human reproduction	0	[0]	1	[1]	2	[0]	4	[0]	0	[0]	2	[2]	9	[3]

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WHO expert advisory panels	Africa		The Americas		South-East Asia		Europe		Eastern Mediterra- nean		Western Pacific		Total	
Tuberculosis	2	[1]	3	[0]	0	[0]	1	[0]	0	[0]	3	[0]	9	[1]
Vector biology and control	3	[0]	11	[0]	6	[2]	16	[2]	5	[0]	11	[1]	52	[5]
Virus diseases	2	[0]	10	[0]	8	[2]	27	[3]	4	[0]	11	[1]	62	[6]
Virus diseases (antivirals and interferon)	0	[0]	2	[0]	0	[0]	5	[0]	0	[0]	0	[0]	7	[0]
Zoonoses	0	[0]	2	[0]	3	[0]	6	[1]	1	[0]	2	[0]	14	[1]
Total	140	[19]	341	[67]	166	[44]	534	[64]	137	[21]	234	[40]	1 55 [255]	