

Provisional agenda of the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly

Report by the Director-General

1. According to Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the Executive Board shall prepare the provisional agenda of each regular session of the Health Assembly after consideration of proposals submitted by the Director-General. Proposals from the Director-General for the provisional agenda of the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly are attached at Annex 1.
2. The Health Assembly, in resolution WHA32.36 (1979), decided that the Executive Board shall fix a preliminary daily timetable for the Health Assembly's consideration of its agenda and the General Committee shall review and approve this timetable, subsequently revising it if and when required.
3. A draft preliminary daily timetable for the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly is attached at Annex 2.

ACTION BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

4. The Executive Board may wish to consider adoption of the following draft decision:

The Executive Board, having considered the report of the Director-General,¹ and recalling its earlier decision that the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly should be held in Geneva, opening on Monday, 27 May 2024, and closing no later than Saturday, 1 June 2024,² approved the provisional agenda of the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly.

¹ Document EB154/39.

² See decision EB153(10) (2023).



Draft provisional agenda¹

PLENARY

- 1. Opening of the Health Assembly**
 - 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
 - 1.2 Election of the President
 - 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairs of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
 - 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees
- 2. Report of the Executive Board on its 153rd and 154th sessions, and on its seventh special session**
- 3. Address by Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General**
- 4. Invited speaker(s)**
- 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]**
- 6. Executive Board: election**
- 7. Awards**
- 8. Reports of the main committees**
- 9. Closure of the Health Assembly**

¹ In accordance with Rules 3 and 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the provisional agenda (providing document numbers) will be dispatched, together with the notice of convocation, not less than 60 days before 27 May 2024.

COMMITTEE A

10. Opening of the Committee¹

Pillar 1: One billion more people benefiting from universal health coverage

11. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board

- 11.1 Universal health coverage
- 11.2 Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases
- 11.3 Draft global action plan for infection prevention and control
- 11.4 Immunization Agenda 2030
- 11.5 End TB Strategy
- 11.6 Road map for neglected tropical diseases 2021–2030
- 11.7 Acceleration towards the Sustainable Development Goal targets for maternal health and child mortality
- 11.8 Antimicrobial resistance: accelerating national and global responses

12. Global technical strategy and targets for malaria 2016–2030

Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies

13. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response

- 13.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
- 13.2 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)
- 13.3 Working Group on Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005)
- 13.4 Intergovernmental Negotiating Body to draft and negotiate a WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response

¹ Including election of Vice-Chairs and Rapporteur.

14. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board

- 14.1 WHO's work in health emergencies
- 14.2 Implementation of resolution WHA75.11 (2022)
- 14.3 Global Health and Peace Initiative
- 14.4 Poliomyelitis
 - Poliomyelitis eradication
 - Polio transition planning and polio post-certification
- 14.5 Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks

Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being**15. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board**

- 15.1 Social determinants of health
- 15.2 Maternal, infant and young child nutrition
- 15.3 Well-being and health promotion
- 15.4 Climate change, pollution and health
 - Impact of chemicals, waste and pollution on human health
 - Climate change and health
- 15.5 Economics and health for all

Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries

- 16. Financing and implementation of the Programme budget 2022–2023 and outlook on financing of the Programme budget 2024–2025**
- 17. Draft fourteenth general programme of work**
- 18. Sustainable financing: WHO investment round**

COMMITTEE B

19. Opening of the Committee¹

20. Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan

Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries

21. Budget and finance matters

21.1 Results report 2023 (Programme budget 2022–2023: performance assessment) and financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

21.2 Scale of assessments 2025–2026

21.3 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

21.4 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]

21.5 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]

21.6 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

22. Audit and oversight matters

22.1 Report of the External Auditor

22.2 Report of the Internal Auditor

22.3 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation

23. Staffing matters

23.1 Human resources: update

23.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules

23.3 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

23.4 Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board

23.5 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

¹ Including election of Vice-Chairs and the Rapporteur.

24. Management, legal and governance matters

24.1 Prevention of sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment

24.2 Process of handling and investigating potential allegations against WHO Directors-General

25. Update on the Infrastructure Fund**26. Agreements with intergovernmental organizations [if any]****27. Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations****28. Updates and future reporting**

- Strengthening integrated, people-centred health services (resolution WHA69.24 (2016))

29. Matters for information

29.1 Progress reports

Pillar 1: One billion more people benefiting from universal health coverage

- A. The global health sector strategies on, respectively, HIV, viral hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections (resolution WHA75.20 (2022))
- B. Preparation for the high-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on universal health coverage (resolution WHA72.4 (2019))
- C. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (resolution WHA57.12 (2004))
- D. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16 (2011))
- E. Integrated people-centred eye care, including preventable vision impairment and blindness (resolution WHA73.4 (2020))
- F. Human organ and tissue transplantation (decision WHA75(18) (2022))
- G. Availability, safety and quality of blood products (decision WHA75(17) (2022))
- H. Public health dimension of the world drug problem (decision WHA75(20) (2022))

Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies

- I. Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits (resolution WHA64.5 (2011))

Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being

- J. WHO global strategy for food safety (decision WHA75(22))
- K. Reducing public health risks associated with the sale of live wild animals of mammalian species in traditional food markets – infection prevention and control (decision WHA75(23) (2022))
- L. Outcome of the SIDS Summit for Health: For a Healthy and Resilient Future in Small Island Developing States (resolution WHA75.18 (2022))
- M. Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property (resolution WHA75.14 (2022))

ANNEX 2

**PRELIMINARY DAILY TIMETABLE FOR THE
SEVENTY-SEVENTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY**

May 2024	Plenary	Committee A	Committee B	Other
Monday 27				
09:00	High-level welcome ¹ 1. Opening of the Health Assembly 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials 1.2 Election of the President 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairs of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee	– –	– –	– –
Upon closure of the plenary	–	–	–	General Committee
14:30	– Presidential address 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees 2. Report of the Executive Board on its 153rd and 154th sessions, and on its seventh special session 3. Address by Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General – General discussion	– –	– –	– –
		Upon commencement of the General discussion 10. Opening of the Committee Pillar 1 11. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board	–	–

¹ This will include item 4, Invited speaker(s).

May 2024	Plenary	Committee A	Committee B	Other
Tuesday 28				
09:00	3. Address by Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General – General discussion (continued)	Pillar 2 13. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response 14. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board	–	–
14:00	–	–	–	Committee on Credentials
14:30	3. Address by Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General – General discussion (continued)	–	–	–
Wednesday 29				
09:00	– Report of the Committee on Credentials 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]	Pillar 1 11. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board (continued) 12. Global technical strategy and targets for malaria 2016–2030	19. Opening of the Committee Pillar 4 21. Budget and finance matters 22. Audit and oversight matters 23. Staffing matters	–
14:30	–	Pillar 1 11. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board (continued) 12. Global technical strategy and targets for malaria 2016–2030 (continued)	20. Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan	–
17:30	–	–	–	General Committee (list for election, Executive Board)

May 2024	Plenary	Committee A	Committee B	Other
Thursday 30 09:00 and 14:30	–	<p>Pillar 4</p> <p>16. Financing and implementation of the Programme budget 2022–2023 and outlook on financing of the Programme budget 2024–2025</p> <p>17. Draft fourteenth general programme of work</p> <p>18. Sustainable financing: WHO investment round</p> <p>Pillar 3</p> <p>15. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board</p>	<p>Pillar 4</p> <p>24. Management, legal and governance matters</p> <p>25. Update on the Infrastructure Fund</p> <p>26. Agreements with intergovernmental organizations [if any]</p> <p>27. Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations</p>	–
Friday 31 09:00 and 14:30	<p>6. Executive Board: election</p> <p>7. Awards</p>	<p>Pillar 3</p> <p>15. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board (continued)</p>	<p>Pillar 4</p> <p>28. Updates and future reporting</p> <p>29. Matters for information</p>	–
June 2024 Saturday 1 09:00 and 14:30	<p>8. Reports of the main committees</p> <p>9. Closure of the Health Assembly</p>	– Finalization of resolutions/decisions and reports	– Finalization of resolutions/decisions and reports	–

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