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Programme of meetings for Wednesday, 23 May 2012

Time	Plenary <i>Assembly Hall</i>	Committee A <i>Room XVIII</i>	Committee B <i>Room XVII</i>	Other <i>Room XII</i>
09:00	Sixth plenary meeting			
After the commencement of Item 3 in plenary		Fourth meeting		
Immediately after conclusion of Item 3 in plenary			First meeting	
14:30	Seventh plenary meeting			
Immediately after conclusion of Item 4 in plenary		Fifth meeting	Second meeting	
17:30				General Committee

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Informal working group meeting

- Item 13.1 Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases
- Outcomes of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases and the First Global Ministerial Conference on Healthy Lifestyles and Noncommunicable Disease Control

The working group meeting will be held on Wednesday, 23 May from 9:00 to 12:00 in Room VII.

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I. Programme of work of the Health Assembly

Wednesday, 23 May 2012

Sixth plenary meeting		09:00
–	Report of the Committee on Credentials Document A65/51	
Item 3 (continued)	– General discussion	
Fourth and fifth meetings of Committee A		Room XVIII – After the commencement of Item 3 in plenary and immediately after conclusion of Item 4 in plenary
–	– Draft first report of Committee A Document (Draft) A65/50, containing two resolutions entitled: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>Strengthening noncommunicable disease policies to promote active ageing</i> – <i>Global burden of mental disorders and the need for a comprehensive, coordinated response from health and social sectors at the country level</i> 	
Item 13 (continued)	Technical and health matters	
Item 13.14	– Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination Documents A65/24, A65/24 Corr.1, A65/A/Conf.Paper No.1, A65/A/Conf.Paper No.2, A65/A/Conf.Paper No.4 and A65/A/Conf.Paper No.5	
Item 13.3	– Nutrition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maternal, infant and young child nutrition Documents A65/11, A65/11 Corr.1 and A65/A/Conf.Paper No.6 • Nutrition of women in the preconception period, during pregnancy and the breastfeeding period Document A65/12 	
Item 13.4	– Early marriages, adolescent and young pregnancies Document A65/13	
Item 13.5	– Monitoring of the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress in the achievement of the health-related Millennium Development Goals, and global health goals after 2015 Document A65/14 • Implementation of the recommendations of the Commission on Information and Accountability for Women's and Children's Health Documents A65/15 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R3 	
If time permits		
Item 13.6	– Social determinants of health: outcome of the World Conference on Social Determinants of Health (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, October 2011) Documents A65/16 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R11	
Item 13.7	– Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005) Documents A65/17, A65/17 Corr.1, A65/17 Add.1, A65/17 Add.2 and A65/17 Add.3	

- Item 4** **Director-General (*private session*)***
 Document A65/INF.DOC./1
- Item 4.1 – Appointment
 Document EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R4
- Item 4.2 – Approval of contract
 Documents A65/4 Rev.1 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R5

- Item 14** **Opening of the Committee**
 – Including election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur
- Item 16** **Programme budget and financial matters**
- Item 16.1 – Programme budget 2010–2011: performance assessment
 Documents A65/28 and A65/44
- Item 15** **Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan**
 Documents A65/27 Rev.1, A65/INF.DOC./2, A65/INF.DOC./3, A65/INF.DOC./4, A65/INF.DOC./5, A65/B/Conf.Paper No.1 and A65/B/Conf.Paper No.1 Add.1
- Item 16 (continued)** **Programme budget and financial matters**
- Item 16.2 – Financial report and audited financial statements for the period 1 January 2010 – 31 December 2011
 Documents A65/29, A65/29 Add.1 and A65/45
- Item 16.3 – 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
 Documents A65/30 and A65/46
- Item 16.5 – Assessment of new Members and Associate Members
 Documents A65/41 and A65/46
- Item 17** **Audit and oversight matters**
- Item 17.1 – Report of the External Auditor
 Documents A65/32 and A65/47
- Item 17.2 – Report of the Internal Auditor
 Documents A65/33 and A65/48

To draw up the list for the annual election of Members entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board and review the programme of work.

* immediately followed by a public session in Plenary

Thursday, 24 May 2012

Sixth meeting of Committee A	09:00
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Item 12 WHO reform

Documents A65/5, A65/5 Add.1, A65/5 Add.2, A65/40 and A65/INF.DOC./6

Seventh meeting of Committee A	14:30
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Item 12 (continued) WHO reform

Documents A65/5, A65/5 Add.1, A65/5 Add.2, A65/40 and A65/INF.DOC./6

Eighth plenary meeting	17:00
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Item 8 Awards

Friday, 25 May 2012

Ninth plenary meeting	09:00
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Item 7 Executive Board: election

Item 9 Reports of the main committees

Eighth meeting of Committee A	After conclusion of Item 9 in plenary
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Item 13 (continued) Technical and health matters

Item 13.1(continued) – Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases

- Outcomes of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases and the First Global Ministerial Conference on Healthy Lifestyles and Noncommunicable Disease Control

Documents A65/6, A65/6 Add.1, A65/A/Conf.Paper No.3 and A65/A/Conf.Paper No.3 Add.1

Item 13.8 – Global mass gatherings: implications and opportunities for global health security
Document A65/18

Item 13.9 – Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits: report on the work of the Advisory Group
Document A65/19

Item 13.10 – Poliomyelitis: intensification of the global eradication initiative
Documents A65/20 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R10

Item 13.11 – Elimination of schistosomiasis
Documents A65/21 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R9

Item 13.12 – Draft global vaccine action plan
Documents A65/22, A65/22 Add.1 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R12

Item 13.13 – Substandard/spurious/false-labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products: report of the Working Group of Member States
Documents A65/23 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R13

Item 18 Staffing matters

- Item 18.1 – Human resources: annual report
Documents A65/34 and A65/49
- Item 18.2 – Report of the International Civil Service Commission
Document A65/35
- Item 18.3 – Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules
Documents A65/36 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R16
- Item 18.4 – Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee
Document A65/37

Item 19 Management and legal matters

- Item 19.1 – Election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization: report of the Working Group
Document A65/38

Item 13 (continued) Technical and health matters

- Item 13.15 – WHO's response, and role as the health cluster lead, in meeting the growing demands of health in humanitarian emergencies
Documents A65/25 and EB130/2012/REC/1, resolution EB130.R14
- Item 13.16 – Progress reports
Document A65/26

Health systems and research

- A. Health system strengthening (resolutions WHA64.9, WHA64.8, WHA63.27, WHA62.12 and WHA60.27)
- B. WHO's role and responsibilities in health research (resolution WHA63.21)
- C. Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property (resolution WHA61.21)

Disease eradication, prevention and control

- D. Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks (resolution WHA60.1)
- E. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16)
- F. Chagas disease: control and elimination (resolution WHA63.20)
- G. Viral hepatitis (resolution WHA63.18)
- H. Prevention and control of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis and extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis (resolution WHA62.15)
- I. Cholera: mechanisms for control and prevention (resolution WHA64.15)
- J. Control of human African trypanosomiasis (resolution WHA57.2)
- K. Global health sector strategy on HIV/AIDS, 2011–2015 (resolution WHA64.14)
- L. Prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections: global strategy (resolution WHA59.19)

Other

- M. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (resolution WHA57.12)
- N. Advancing food safety initiatives (resolution WHA63.3)
- O. Climate change and health (resolutions EB124.R5 and WHA61.19)
- P. Partnerships (resolution WHA63.10)
- Q. Multilingualism: implementation of action plan (resolution WHA61.12)

Fourth meeting of Committee B	14:30
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Item 19 (continued)	Management and legal matters
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| Item 19.2 | – Agreements with intergovernmental organizations
Document A65/42 |
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Item 20	Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations
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Saturday, 26 May 2012

Tenth meeting of Committee A	09:00
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Finalization of resolutions and reports	
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Fifth meeting of Committee B	09:00
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Finalization of resolutions and reports	
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Tenth plenary meeting	Immediately following the closure of Committees A and B
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Item 9 (continued)	Reports of the main committees
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Item 10	Closure of the Health Assembly
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II. Report of meetings

Fourth plenary meeting

In the chair: Professor Thérèse N'Dri-Yoman (Côte d'Ivoire)
President of the Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly

Later: Dr Esperanza Martinez (Paraguay)
First Vice-President of the Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly

Item 3 (continued) – General discussion

The Health Assembly resumed consideration of item 3 with special attention to the theme “Towards universal coverage”. The President invited to the rostrum the delegates of Ghana, Sweden, United Republic of Tanzania, Ecuador, France, Djibouti, Colombia, Republic of Korea, Portugal, Algeria, Monaco, Madagascar, Malaysia, Panama, Japan, Senegal, Argentina, Luxembourg, Viet Nam, Bhutan, Namibia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Equatorial Guinea, Belgium, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Chile, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Burkina Faso, Uruguay and Indonesia. The meeting was adjourned.

Second meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Dr Zangley Dukpa (Bhutan)

Later: Dr Fenton Ferguson (Jamaica), Vice-Chairman

Item 13 (continued) **Technical and health matters**

Item 13.1 (continued) – Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases

- Outcomes of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases and the First Global Ministerial Conference on Healthy Lifestyles and Noncommunicable Disease Control
- Implementation of the global strategy for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases and the action plans

The debate continued on the above items. The Committee noted the report as contained in document A65/8. The draft decision contained in document A65/A/Conf.Paper No.3: *Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases: follow-up to the High-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable diseases* was considered and a drafting group was established. Discussion of this subitem was suspended pending deliberations of the drafting group.

The Committee then considered the draft resolution EB130.R6: *Strengthening noncommunicable disease policies to promote active ageing* contained in document EB130/2012/REC/1. The Committee approved the resolution.

- Options and a timeline for strengthening and facilitating multisectoral action for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases through partnership

The Committee noted the report as contained in document A65/7.

- Implementation of the action plan for the prevention of avoidable blindness and visual impairment

Discussion of this subitem will continue at the next meeting of Committee A.

In the chair: Professor Thérèse N'Dri-Yoman (Côte d'Ivoire)
President of the Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly

Later: Mr Charles Sigoto (Solomon Islands)
Fifth Vice-President of the Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly

Item 5

Invited speaker

The President welcomed, on behalf of the Health Assembly, Her Royal Highness Princess Lalla Salma of Morocco and invited her to address the Health Assembly.

Her Royal Highness is the Founder and President of the Lalla Salma Association for the Fight against Cancer and WHO Goodwill Ambassador for the Promotion of Cancer Prevention and Care since 2006. Her Royal Highness was appointed Honorary President of the Alliance of nongovernmental organizations against cancer in the Eastern Mediterranean Region in 2007. Her Royal Highness Princess Lalla Salma addressed the Health Assembly.

The President then welcomed, on behalf of the Health Assembly, Mr Jonas Gahr Støre, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway and invited him to address the Health Assembly.

Mr Jonas Gahr Støre was State Secretary and Chief of Staff at the Office of the Norwegian Prime Minister. Between 2003 and 2005, he served as the Secretary-General of the Norwegian Red Cross. He has also served as Executive Director at the WHO Director-General's Office and Ambassador at the Norwegian Mission to the United Nations in Geneva. Mr Jonas Gahr Støre addressed the Health Assembly.

Item 3 (continued)

– General discussion

General discussions then continued with speakers from Honduras, Spain, Israel, South Sudan, Paraguay, Iceland, Cape Verde, Pakistan, Republic of Moldova, Rwanda, Trinidad and Tobago, Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Bangladesh, Afghanistan, Russian Federation, Jamaica, Nepal, Mauritania, Timor-Leste, Nauru, Mongolia, Mauritius and Greece.

Third meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Dr Zangley Dukpa (Bhutan)

Item 13 (continued)

Technical and health matters

Item 13.1 (continued)

– Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases

- Implementation of the action plan for the prevention of avoidable blindness and visual impairment

Discussion resumed on the agenda subitem and the Committee noted the report contained in document A65/9.

Item 13.2

– Global burden of mental disorders and the need for a comprehensive, coordinated response from health and social sectors at the country level

At the invitation of the Chairman, a representative of the Executive Board introduced the subitem. The Chairman invited comments from the floor on the draft resolution EB130.R8: *The global burden of mental disorders and the need for a comprehensive, coordinated response from health and social sectors at the country level* contained in document EB130/2012/REC/1. The draft resolution was approved as amended.

III. Technical briefing

The following technical briefing will take place during the Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly.

Wednesday, 23 May 2012

12:30–14:15

Room XII

Ageing and health

There will be interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish

Populations around the world are ageing rapidly, particularly in low- and middle-income countries. This technical briefing will explore the implications of an ageing population for individuals, health systems and society as a whole. Topics will include the patterns of demographic change in Member States; changing attitudes to ageing; ageing issues in Africa; new evidence on the health needs of older people in low-, middle- and high-income countries; and how health systems might be developed to meet these needs. This will be followed by a broader discussion on priorities for future action.

IV. Other meetings

The Secretariat has been advised that the following meetings will take place during the Sixty-fifth World Health Assembly:

Wednesday, 23 May 2012

08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
08:00–08:45 Room XXIV	Coordination meeting of the Western European and Others Group (WEOG).
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region. <i>There will be interpretation in Arabic, English and French.</i>
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
08:30–08:50 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French, German and Russian.</i>
10:00–12:00 Room IV	Meeting of the Health Ministers' Council for the Gulf Cooperation Council States (Conference 73).
12:00–13:10 Room VIII	Meeting of the Group of the Americas (GRUA). <i>There will be interpretation in English and Spanish.</i>
12:15–14:15 Room XV	Multi-country consultation on WHO Country Cooperation Strategy (CCS) for South Pacific 2013–2017.
12:30–13:30 Room IV	Drug Resource, Enhancement Against AIDS and Malnutrition (DREAM) as an integrated approach towards prevention of mother to child transmission of HIV/AIDS. Organized by the delegation of Italy.
12:30–14:00 Room IX	Patient safety progress and review. Organized by the delegation of Qatar. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>

12:30–14:00 Room XXIII	Palliative care: successes in improving quality of life for people with communicable and noncommunicable diseases. Organized by the delegation of Kenya. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French and Spanish.</i>
12:45–14:15 Room VII	Sharing results of primary care reform from Brazil, China and India. Organized by the delegation of China.
13:20–14:20 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
17:30–18:30 Room XVI	Evening meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
17:30–19:30 Room IX	WHO financing and governance: democratic pathways for a sustainable leadership in global health. Organized by Medicus Mundi International.
17:45–19:15 Room VII	International Health Partnership (IHP+) technical meeting on recent progress in strengthening accountability for results in countries. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French and Spanish.</i>
17:45–19:15 Room VIII	Launch of the Report of the Private Sector Task Force of the Global Health Workforce Alliance. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
17:45–19:45 Room IV	New programme support and policy changes. Update from the GAVI Alliance. Organized by the delegation of Kenya.
18:00–20:00 Room XXII	Informal ministerial meeting on guinea-worm eradication. <i>By invitation only.</i> <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>

Thursday, 24 May 2012

08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region. <i>There will be interpretation in Arabic, English and French.</i>
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
08:30–08:50 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French, German and Russian.</i>
12:15–13:45 Room XXIII	Social Determinants of Health: building capacity to achieve health equity. Organized by the delegation of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. <i>There will be interpretation in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.</i>
12:30–14:00 Room IX	Health systems development – strengthening capacity through partnerships. Organized by the delegation of Australia in collaboration with the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB).
12:30–14:00 Room IV	Empowering patients in pharmacovigilance: first results from interregional consortium. Organized by a consortium of countries in collaboration with the WHO Secretariat, Department of Essential Medicines and Health Products (EMP).
12:45–14:15 Room XXIV	Family planning, reproductive health and child survival: addressing unmet needs. Organized by the WHO Secretariat, Cluster of Family, Women's and Children's Health. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French and Spanish.</i>

13:20–14:20 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
17:30–18:30 Room IX	Evening meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.
17:45–19:00 Room IV	Follow-up meeting on universal coverage. Organized by the delegation of Mexico.
17:45–19:15 Room XXII	African Partnerships for Patient Safety: Learning together for change! <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
17:45–19:45 Room VIII	Health worker migration innovations awards. Organized by the WHO Secretariat in collaboration with the Health Worker Migration Council.

Friday, 25 May 2012

08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
08:00–08:45 Room XXIV	Coordination meeting of the Western European and Others Group (WEOG).
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region. <i>There will be interpretation in Arabic, English and French.</i>
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
08:30–08:50 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French, German and Russian.</i>
12:30–14:00 Room IX	How to improve the voice of the implementers of the Global Fund. Organized by the delegation of the Republic of the Sudan. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
12:45–14:15 Room IV	Healthier hospitals for healthier people (chemicals – with a focus on mercury). Organized by the delegation of Uruguay.
13:20–14:20 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
17:30–18:30 Room IX	Evening meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region.

Saturday, 26 May 2012

08:00–08:45 Room XVI	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO African Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English and French.</i>
08:15–08:45 Room IX	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region. <i>There will be interpretation in Arabic, English and French.</i>
08:30–08:50 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO Western Pacific Region.
08:30–08:50 Room XXIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO European Region. <i>There will be interpretation in English, French, German and Russian.</i>
13:20–14:20 Room VIII	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.

V. Provisional list of speakers for the general discussion in plenary

Tonga (The delegate of Tonga will speak on behalf of the Pacific Island Countries)

Nicaragua

Maldives

Mozambique

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Burundi

Niger

Cameroon

Central African Republic

Solomon Islands

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Belarus

Chad

Turkey

African Union

Order of Malta

Chinese Taipei

International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Organization of Islamic Cooperation

Holy See

VI. Announcements

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