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Programme of meetings for Saturday, 28 May 2016

Time	Plenary <i>Assembly Hall</i>	Committee A <i>Room XVIII</i>	Committee B <i>Room XVII</i>
09:30–12:30		Twelfth meeting	Sixth meeting
14:00–17:00		Thirteenth meeting	Seventh meeting
Immediately following the closure of Committees A and B	Eighth plenary meeting		

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Committee statements

Committees A and B have agreed to reduce the length of statements to **2 minutes**.
Please send Committee statements to interpret@who.int.

139th session of the Executive Board, 30–31 May 2016, WHO headquarters – Executive Board room

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 - Saturday, 28 May: 08:00 until the closure of plenary but not later than 18:00
- WHO headquarters main lobby
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 - Tuesday, 31 May: 08:00 until the end of the session

Working hours 09:30–12:30 and 14:30–17:30

Facilities available on Saturday, 28 May 2016

Restaurants:	Snack bar (Concordia area between doors 13 and 15): 07:00–09:00
	Bar du Serpent (E building, 1st floor): 09:00–end of Committee sessions
	Main cafeteria: 11:30–14:30
Travel:	Carlson Wagonlit travel office (E building level 2, near door 40): 09:00–13:00

I. Programme of work of the Health Assembly

Saturday, 28 May 2016

Twelfth and thirteenth meetings of Committee A

Room XVIII – 09:30 and 14:00

- **Draft fourth report of Committee A**
Document (Draft) A69/73 containing three resolutions entitled:
- *The role of the health sector in the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management towards the 2020 goal and beyond*
 - *WHO global plan of action to strengthen the role of the health system within a national multisectoral response to address interpersonal violence, in particular against women and girls, and against children*
 - *Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases: responses to specific assignments in preparation for the third High-level Meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable diseases in 2018*
- And two decisions entitled:
- *Health and the environment: draft road map for an enhanced global response to the adverse health effects of air pollution*
 - *Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity*
- Item 12 (continued) Noncommunicable diseases**
- Item 12.5 – Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control
Documents A69/11 and A69/11 Add.1
- Item 12.6 – Public health dimension of the world drug problem including in the context of the special session of the United Nations General Assembly on the World Drug Problem, held in April 2016
Documents A69/12 and A69/A/CONF./4
- Item 12.7 – Addressing the challenges of the United Nations Decade of Action for Road Safety (2011–2020): outcome of the second Global High-level Conference on Road Safety – Time for Results
Documents A69/13, A69/A/CONF./1 and A69/A/CONF./1 Add.1
- Item 12.1 (continued) – Maternal, infant and young child nutrition
Documents A69/7, A69/7 Add.1, A69/7 Add.2, A69/A/CONF./5 Rev.1, A69/A/CONF./5 Add.1, A69/A/CONF./7 Rev.1 and A69/A/CONF./7 Add.1
- Item 14 (continued) Preparedness, surveillance and response**
- Item 14.7 – Promoting the health of migrants
Document A69/27
- Item 13 (continued) Promoting health through the life course**
- Item 13.2 (continued) – Health in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
Documents A69/15 and A69/A/CONF./10 Rev.1

Item 11 (continued) WHO reform

Item 11.3 (continued) – Framework of engagement with non-State actors

Documents A69/6, A69/60 and A69/A/CONF./11

Item 14 (continued) Preparedness, surveillance and response

Item 14.1 (continued) – Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

- Report of the Review Committee on the Role of the International Health Regulations (2005) in the Ebola Outbreak and Response

Documents A69/21 and A69/21 Add.1 Rev.1

Finalization of resolutions and reports

Sixth and seventh meetings of Committee B

Room XVII – 09:30 and 14:00

– **Draft third report of Committee B**

Document (Draft) A69/74 containing two resolutions entitled:

- *Global strategy on human resources for health: workforce 2030*
- *Promoting innovation and access to quality, safe, efficacious and affordable medicines for children*

Item 15 Communicable diseases (item transferred from Committee A)

Item 15.1 – Draft global health sector strategies

Documents A69/31, A69/32, A69/33, A69/59 and A69/59 Add.1

- HIV, 2016–2021
- Viral hepatitis, 2016–2021
- Sexually transmitted infections, 2016–2021

Item 15.2 – Global vaccine action plan

Document A69/34

Item 15.3 – Mycetoma

Documents A69/35 and EB138/2016/REC/1, resolution EB138.R1

Item 16 (continued) Health systems

Item 16.1 (continued) – Health workforce and services

- Framework on integrated people-centred health services

Documents A69/39 and A69/B/CONF./5

Item 16.2 (continued) – Follow-up to the report of the Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination – Report of the open-ended meeting of Member States

Documents A69/40 and A69/B/CONF./6

Item 16.4 – Addressing the global shortages of medicines, and the safety and accessibility of children's medication

Documents A69/42 and A/69/B/CONF./3 Rev.1

Item 17**Progress reports**

Document A69/43

Communicable diseases

- A. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16)

Noncommunicable diseases

- B. Sustaining the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (resolution WHA60.21)

Promoting health through the life course

- C. Strengthening of palliative care as a component of comprehensive care throughout the life course (resolution WHA67.19)
- D. Contributing to social and economic development: sustainable action across sectors to improve health and health equity [follow-up of the 8th Global Conference on Health Promotion] (resolution WHA67.12)
- E. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (resolution WHA57.12)

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Health systems

- F. Health intervention and technology assessment in support of universal health coverage (resolution WHA67.23)
- G. Access to essential medicines (resolution WHA67.22)
- H. Access to biotherapeutic products, including similar biotherapeutic products, and ensuring their quality, safety and efficacy (resolution WHA67.21)
- I. WHO strategy on research for health (resolution WHA63.21)

Corporate services/enabling functions

- J. Multilingualism: implementation of action plan (resolution WHA61.12)

Finalization of resolutions and reports**Eighth plenary meeting**

Assembly Hall – Immediately following the closure of Committees A and B

Item 8 (continued) Reports of the main committees**Item 9 Closure of the Health Assembly**

II. Report of meetings

Seventh plenary meeting

In the chair: Dr Ahmed Mohammed Al-Saidi (Oman)
President of the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly

Subsequent to the report of the Committee on Credentials (document 69/67), Jordan and Kyrgyzstan, in addition to Benin, Botswana, Central African Republic, Djibouti and Sudan, were accepted as having submitted formal credentials.

Item 7

Awards

The President welcomed the distinguished recipients of the prizes and the representatives of the foundations.

•2016 Ihsan Doğramacı Family Health Foundation Prize

The President announced that the 2016 Ihsan Doğramacı Family Health Foundation Prize has been awarded to Professor Sir Michael Marmot of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Professor Ali Doğramacı, President of the Bilkent University, addressed the Assembly on behalf of the Ihsan Doğramacı Family Health Foundation.

Professor Sir Michael Marmot received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

•Sasakawa Health Prize

The President announced that the 2016 Sasakawa Health Prize has been awarded to the Federation of Medicus Mundi Spain, represented by its President, Dr Eduardo Garcia Langarica.

Mr Yohei Sasakawa, WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Leprosy Elimination, Chairman of the Nippon Foundation, addressed the Assembly on behalf of the Sasakawa Memorial Health Foundation.

Dr Eduardo Garcia Langarica received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

•United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize

The President announced that the 2016 United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize has been awarded to Dr Palize Mehmett of China.

His Excellency, Ambassador Obaid Salem Saeed Al Zaabi, Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations Office, addressed the Assembly.

Dr Palize Mehmett received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

•His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah Prize for Research in Health Care for the Elderly and in Health Promotion for the State of Kuwait Health Promotion Foundation

The President announced that the 2016 His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah Prize for Research in Health Care for the Elderly and in Health Promotion for the State of Kuwait Health Promotion Foundation has been awarded to Dr Michal Novák of Slovakia.

His Excellency, Dr Ali Saad Alobaidi, Minister of Health of Kuwait, addressed the Health Assembly on behalf of the State of Kuwait Health Promotion Foundation.

Dr Michal Novák received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

•Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health

The President announced that the 2016 Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health has been awarded to the Dr Alireza Mesdaghinia of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Mr Inseong KIM, Secretary General of the Korea Foundation for International Health Care, addressed the Assembly on behalf of the Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Fund.

Dr Alireza Mesdaghinia received the award and addressed the Health Assembly.

Item 6

Executive Board: election (document A69/68)

The Health Assembly accepted the list of 12 Members entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board as drawn up by the General Committee in accordance with Rule 100 of the Rules of Procedure. The following were therefore declared elected:

Algeria	Jamaica
Bahrain	Libya
Bhutan	Mexico
Burundi	Netherlands
Colombia	Turkey
Fiji	Viet Nam

Item 8

Reports of the main committees

– **First report of Committee A**

The President introduced the first report of Committee A containing the following resolution:

- *Strengthening essential public health functions in support of the achievement of universal health coverage*

and decision:

- *Decision based on the agreed recommendations of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Meeting on Governance Reform (Geneva, 8 and 9 March 2016 and 28 and 29 April 2016)*

The Health Assembly adopted the resolution and decision and approved the first report of Committee A.

– **Second report of Committee A**

The President introduced the second report of Committee A containing the following decision:

- *Reform of WHO's work in health emergency management: WHO Health Emergencies Programme*

The Health Assembly adopted the decision and approved the second report of Committee A.

– **First report of Committee B**

The President introduced the first report of Committee B containing the following decision:

- *Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan*

The Health Assembly adopted the decision and approved the first report of Committee B.

The meeting was adjourned

Tenth meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Mr Martin Bowles (Australia)

Later: Ms Taru Koivisto (Finland), Vice-Chairman

Draft third report of Committee A

The Chairman opened the meeting and invited the Rapporteur, Ms Aishah Samiya (Maldives), to read out the third draft report of Committee A, document (draft) A69/72 containing two resolutions entitled:

- *Committing to implementation of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health*
- *The global strategy and action plan on ageing and health 2016–2020: towards a world in which everyone can live a long and healthy life*

The resolutions were approved and the third draft report of Committee A was adopted.

Item 13 (continued) Promoting health through the life course

Item 13.5 Health and the environment: draft road map for an enhanced global response to the adverse health effects of air pollution

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Mr Achim Steiner, to make some introductory remarks. The Chairman invited comments from the floor and the Secretariat responded to issues raised. The Committee noted the report contained in document A69/18. The draft decision *Health and the environment: draft road map for an enhanced global response to the adverse health effects of air pollution*, contained in document A69/A/CONF./9, was approved as amended. The subitem was closed.

Item 13.6 Role of the health sector in the sound management of chemicals

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to issues raised. The Committee noted the report contained in document A69/19 *Role of the health sector in the sound management of chemicals* and the draft resolution contained in document A69/A/CONF./6 *The role of the health sector in the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management towards the 2020 goal and beyond*, which was approved thus closing the subitem.

The meeting was adjourned.

Chairman: Dr Mahlet Kifle (Ethiopia), Vice-Chairman

– **Draft second report of Committee B**

The Chairman invited the Rapporteur, Mr Abdunomon Sidikov (Uzbekistan), to read out the second draft report of Committee B, document (draft) A69/71 containing seven resolutions entitled:

- *WHO programmatic and financial report for 2014–2015 including audited financial statements for 2015*
 - *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*
 - *Scale of assessments for 2017*
 - *Report of the External Auditor*
 - *Salaries of staff in ungraded posts and of the Director-General*
 - *Amendments to the Staff Regulations: dispute resolution*
 - *Process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization*
- and three decisions entitled:
- *Strategic budget space allocation*
 - *Appointment of representatives of the WHO Staff Pension Committee*
 - *Real estate: update of the Geneva buildings renovation strategy*

The second report of Committee B, containing seven resolutions and three decisions, was adopted.

Item 16 (continued) Health systems

Item 16.1 (continued) Health workforce and services

- Draft global strategy on human resources for health: workforce 2030
- Framework on integrated people-centred health services

The Chairman reopened the subitem for discussion. The Secretariat responded to questions raised and the Committee noted the reports contained in documents A69/36, A69/37 and A69/37 Add.1, A69/38 and A69/39.

The Chairman then invited the Committee to consider the draft resolution contained in document A69/B/CONF./4. The Secretariat responded to questions raised and the draft resolution was approved.

The Committee then considered the draft resolution contained in document A69/B/CONF./5. Following a request from the floor, the discussion was suspended for consideration at a future meeting of Committee B.

Item 16.2 (continued) Follow-up to the report of the Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination – Report of the open-ended meeting of Member States

The Chairman reopened the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A69/40. The Chair of the drafting group updated the Committee on the work done and the Chairman opened the floor for comments. Consideration of this item would resume at the next meeting of Committee A.

The meeting was adjourned.

Eleventh meeting of Committee A

Chairman: Mr Martin Bowles (Australia)

Later: Ms Taru Koivisto (Finland)

The Chairman announced that Agenda Item 15 Communicable diseases would be transferred to Committee B.

Item 12 (continued) **Noncommunicable diseases**

Item 12.2 Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity

The Chairman invited the Committee to consider the draft decision contained in document A69/8 *Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity*. The Chairman invited the Secretariat to respond to issues raised. The draft decision was approved and the subitem was closed.

Item 12.3 Draft global plan of action on violence

The Chairman opened the agenda subitem and drew the Committee's attention to document A69/9 and the draft resolution EB138.R3 contained in EB138/2016/REC/1. The representative of the Executive Board made some introductory remarks. The floor was opened for discussion and the Secretariat responded to the issues raised. The draft resolution EB138.R3 *WHO global plan of action to strengthen the role of the health system within a national multisectoral response to address interpersonal violence, in particular against women and girls, and against children*, was approved and the subitem was closed.

Item 12.4 Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases: responses to specific assignments in preparation for the third High-level Meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable diseases in 2018

The Chairman opened the agenda subitem and invited the representative of the Executive Board to make introductory remarks. The Chairman invited comments from the floor. At the invitation of the Chairman, the Head of the Convention Secretariat of the WHO Framework on Tobacco Control, was invited to speak. The Secretariat responded to issues raised. The Secretariat read the proposed amendments to draft resolution EB138.R4 *Prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases: responses to specific assignments in preparation for the third High-level Meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable diseases in 2018* contained in document EB138/2016/REC/1. The draft resolution was approved as amended, thus closing the subitem.

Item 12.5 Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control

The Chairman invited the Committee to consider the draft resolution contained in document A69/11 *Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control*. The subitem was suspended pending the outcome of informal consultations.

The meeting was adjourned.

Fifth meeting of Committee B

Chairman: Dr Mahlet Kifle (Ethiopia), Vice-Chairman

Later: Dr Phusit Prakongsai (Thailand)

The Chairman announced to the Committee that Item 15 on Communicable diseases had been transferred from Committee A to Committee B.

Item 16 (continued) Health systems

Item 16.2 (continued) Follow-up to the report of the Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination – Report of the open-ended meeting of Member States

The Chairman reopened the subitem and invited comments from the floor. It was announced that the Committee would consider the draft resolution contained in A69/B/CONF./6 at its next meeting.

Item 16.3 Substandard/spurious/falsely-labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products

The Chairman opened the debate and invited comments from the floor. The Secretariat responded to questions raised and the Committee noted the report contained in document A69/41.

Item 16.4 Addressing the global shortages of medicines, and the safety and accessibility of children's medication

The Chairman opened the subitem and invited the Committee to consider the report contained in document A69/42. The Secretariat responded to questions raised and the Committee noted the report.

The Committee then considered the draft resolution contained in document A69/B/CONF./2. The draft resolution was approved, as amended.

The Chairman announced that the draft resolution in document A69/A/CONF./3 would be considered at the next meeting of Committee B once a revised version, taking into account the numerous proposed amendments, is available to Committee members.

III. Other meetings

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

Saturday, 28 May 2016

08:00–08:45 Room XXII	European Union coordination meeting.
08:00–09:00 Concordia 4	Meeting of the delegations of Member States of the WHO South-East Asia Region.
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.
13:15–14:15 Room XXII	European Union coordination meeting.

IV. Announcements

Facilities

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