

Report of the meeting

1. The eleventh meeting of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB) to draft and negotiate a WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response was held from 9 to 20 September in a hybrid format, under the leadership of Ms Precious Matsoso of South Africa and Ambassador Anne-Claire Amprou of France as Co-Chairs, with the following Vice-Chairs: Ambassador Tovar da Silva Nunes of Brazil; Ambassador Amr Ramadan of Egypt; Dr Viroj Tangcharoensathien of Thailand; and Ms Fleur Davies of Australia. During the opening session, the meeting elected, by acclamation, Ambassador Anne-Claire Amprou of France as Co-Chair.
2. In line with previous practice and the promotion of transparency in the work of the INB, agenda item 1 (Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda and programme of work), discussions on the legal architecture of the proposal for the WHO Pandemic Agreement as well as discussions on complementarity and coherence between the amended International Health Regulations (2005), adopted by the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly, and the proposal for the WHO Pandemic Agreement under agenda item 2, and agenda items 5 (Report of the meeting) and 6 (Closure of the session) were publicly webcast with the participation of relevant stakeholders, while the drafting group sessions on items 2 (Negotiation of and agreement on the proposed WHO Pandemic Agreement), 3 (Proposals from Member States of entities to be included in Annex D and/or Annex E of document A/INB/9/6) and 4 (Consideration of progress made and next steps) were held in closed sessions.
3. As agreed in document A/INB/10/3 Rev.1, relevant stakeholders (Annexes A–E) were invited to join for brief open session at the beginning of each day where they were updated on progress and provided their views on relevant Articles. The Bureau also circulated iterations of the texts under negotiation to all relevant stakeholders.
4. Following the adoption of the agenda and programme of work, the INB held discussions on the legal architecture of the proposal for the WHO Pandemic Agreement (document A/INB/11/INF./1), followed by discussions on the complementarity and coherence between the amended International Health Regulations (2005), adopted by the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly, and the proposal for the WHO Pandemic Agreement (document A/INB/11/INF./2). During the discussions, delegations welcomed the related interactive dialogues organized by the Bureau in the week preceding the eleventh meeting and expressed appreciation for the diverse perspectives provided by the resource persons. As a way forward, the Bureau, with the support of the Secretariat, will organize informal meetings among members of the INB drafting group¹ during the intersessional period before the twelfth meeting.

¹ As previously agreed by the INB, participation in meetings of the drafting group includes Member States, Associate Members, regional economic integration organizations, as appropriate, and the Observer delegations of Palestine and the Holy See.

5. With respect to item 2, the INB drafting group progressed its negotiations on the following Articles as agreed in the programme of work: Article 4 (Pandemic prevention and surveillance); Article 5 (One Health approach for Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response); Article 9 (Research and development); Article 10 (Sustainable and geographically diversified local production); Article 11 (Transfer of technology and know-how for the production of pandemic-related health products); Article 12 (Pathogen Access and Benefit-Sharing System); Article 13 (Supply chain and logistics) and Article 13 bis (Procurement and distribution); and Article 14 (Regulatory systems strengthening).
6. The INB considered progress during its eleventh meeting and requested the Bureau, with the support of the Secretariat, to provide the following:
 - (a) a detailed proposal for a schedule of informal meetings between the eleventh and twelfth meetings of the INB during the weeks of 30 September and 21 October; and
 - (b) a detailed programme of work for the twelfth meeting of the INB, to be circulated as soon as possible and at least two weeks in advance of the twelfth meeting, scheduled for 4–15 November 2024.
7. The INB agreed to proposals from Member States for four additional relevant stakeholders to be included in Annex E of document A/INB/9/6, on the understanding that the document continues to be a living document.
8. The meeting considered and approved its report, and the Co-Chairs closed the session.

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