

Report of the meeting

Final report of the meeting

1. The resumed twelfth 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 in a hybrid format from 2 to 6 December 2024, under the leadership of Ms Precious Matsoso of South Africa and Ambassador Anne-Claire Amprou of France as Co-Chairs, and Ambassador Tovar da Silva Nunes of Brazil; Ambassador Amr Ramadan of Egypt; Dr Viroj Tangcharoensathien of Thailand; and Ms Fleur Davies of Australia as Vice-Chairs.
2. Following the adoption of the revised programme of work, the INB drafting group progressed its negotiations on the following articles: Article 4 (Pandemic prevention and surveillance); Article 5 (One Health approach for Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response); Article 9 (Research and development); 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); Article 13 bis (Procurement and distribution); Article 20 (Sustainable financing); Article 21 (Conference of the Parties); Article 26 (Relationship with other international agreements and legal instruments); Article 30 (Annexes); Article 31 (Protocols); Article 32 (Withdrawal); Article 33 (Signature); and Article 34 (Ratification, acceptance, approval, formal confirmation or accession). While recognizing the significant progress made since its establishment, the INB acknowledged that further work was required to fulfil its mandate by the Seventy-eighth World Health Assembly.
3. With respect to next steps, the INB decided to hold its thirteenth meeting on 17–21 February and its fourteenth meeting on 7–11 April 2025. The Bureau would continue to facilitate the work of the INB, in close dialogue with its membership. The Bureau would: (i) propose text on outstanding provisions to support the negotiations; (ii) reach out and facilitate informal discussions amongst delegations; and (iii) provide a provisional programme of work for the thirteenth meeting of the INB, to be circulated as soon as possible.
4. The meeting considered and approved its final report, and the Co-Chairs closed the session.