Draft programme of work

1. Opening of the meeting

2. Adoption of the agenda and programme of work

3. Guiding principles and working methods of the Standing Committee
   – The Chair will provide an overview of the guiding principles and working methods of the Standing Committee.
   – Discussion.

4. Introductory briefings from the Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme, the Global Preparedness Monitoring Board and the WHO Secretariat
   – Representatives from the Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee, the Global Preparedness Monitoring Board and the WHO Health Emergencies Programme will provide introductory briefings to orient Committee members in their work.
   – Discussion.

5. Priorities for strengthening prevention and preparedness:
   • Briefing by the WHO Secretariat, including the six WHO regional offices
     – Representatives from the WHO Secretariat, including the six regional offices, will provide briefings on current priorities at global and regional levels for strengthening prevention and preparedness.
     – Discussion.

6. Lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic
   • Briefing by the WHO Secretariat on post-pandemic recovery plans
     – Representatives from the WHO Secretariat will provide a briefing on post-pandemic recovery plans.
7. Review of the response to current health emergencies:

• Briefing by the WHO Secretariat on current public health emergencies of international concern and challenges

• Briefing by the WHO Secretariat on health emergencies of regional relevance

  – Representatives from the WHO Secretariat will provide briefings on the current public health emergencies of international concern and the challenges faced in responding to them, as well as health emergencies of regional relevance, including those in the Syrian Arab Republic, Türkiye and Ukraine.

  – Discussion (including on how to address challenges).

8. Review of current health threats requiring the attention of the Standing Committee and increased preparedness:

• Briefing by the WHO Secretariat on threats posed by avian influenza A (H5N1), climate-related events and Nipah virus

  – Representatives from the WHO Secretariat will provide briefings on several health threats requiring increased preparedness, including avian influenza A (H5N1), climate-related events, and Nipah virus.

  – Discussion (including on strengthening intra- and trans-regional collaboration for improved prevention and preparedness).

9. Agenda of next meeting

  – The Standing Committee will discuss the agenda of its next meeting.

10. Report of the meeting

  – The Standing Committee will consider its report of the meeting.

11. Closure of the meeting

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