

**Statement of I.R. Iran on:
The role of the global coordination mechanism on the prevention and
control of noncommunicable diseases in WHO's work on
multistakeholder engagement for the prevention and control of
noncommunicable diseases: report on independent evaluation**

Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen

I would like to express my gratitude to the Director General and all the people who were involved in the preparation and editing of the document A78/INF./2 for its coherence and comprehensiveness.

In support of the recommendations of the annex to the document, it is important to note that increased participation of non-health sector organizations in the prevention and control of NCD is crucial. To this end, the dissemination and promotion of strategies, approaches and methods for achieving the desired goals of managing air pollution, behavioral risk factors and other risk factors that are less addressed in developing countries, such as chemical and heavy metal pollution in drinking water and agriculture, industrial chemical agents in the human environment and similar cases, should be considered. The role of the health sector in coordinating and monitoring actions in this regard is of great importance and it is therefore recommended that the Global Action Plan for the Prevention and Control of NCD be reviewed and updated with the participation of all relevant organizations.

In support of the second part of the recommendations, the importance of allocating more resources to the regional and country offices of the WHO to conduct applied studies to achieve the best intervention methods based on the models introduced by WHO is emphasized. In recent years, and for reasons that are well known, resource constraints have not been ineffective in slowing down the pace of achieving the desired goals.

Thank you so much and I would like to thank the audience for their attention.