



79th World Health Assembly

FINLAND'S STATEMENT

Agenda item 12.9 - Draft updated global action plan on antimicrobial resistance

Honorable Chair,

Finland aligns with the EU statement.

We welcome WHO's Global Action Plan on AMR 2026-2036.

Addressing the cross-border threat of antimicrobial resistance requires a strong One Health approach that integrates human, animal and environmental sectors. We emphasize that effective implementation of this plan should reflect national contexts while prioritizing infection prevention, comprehensive vaccination programme and coordinated surveillance.

Finland remains committed to the principle that antimicrobials must be available by prescription only for both human and animal use. We support the 2030 global targets, including reducing AMR-associated mortality. Strengthening environmental waste management and sustainable financing is critical to our collective success.

Finland stands ready to accelerate the implementation of this vital framework.

Thank you.