

MEDIA INVITATION

Health policy-makers from 53 European countries to meet in Copenhagen to adopt new innovative public health plans

A set of landmark public health strategies and action plans will be discussed at the annual session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe, the governing body for the WHO European Region. These documents address refugee and migrant health, women's health, sexual and reproductive health, noncommunicable diseases, HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, health evidence and information and integrated health services. The implementation of the regional policy framework, Health 2020, the recently adopted Sustainable Development Goals and the new WHO Health Emergencies Programme will also be on the agenda.

The 66th session of the Regional Committee will bring together hundreds of high-level public health policy-makers, international partners and civil society representatives. It will take place from 12 to 15 September 2016 at UN City in Copenhagen (Marmorvej 51, 2100 Copenhagen Ø, Denmark).

Her Royal Highness Crown Princess Mary of Denmark and WHO Director-General Dr Margaret Chan will address the Committee.

Provisional programme

The provisional programme and working documents that will be discussed at the Committee are available in the four official languages of the WHO Regional Office for Europe (English, French, German and Russian) at <http://www.euro.who.int/en/about-us/governance/regional-committee-for-europe/66th-session/documentation/working-documents>.

Media registration

Journalists wishing to attend the Regional Committee sessions are invited to register online at <http://www.euro.who.int/en/rc66-register> or to send an email to nerguL@who.int.

All journalists need to register in advance, even those who will cover only the participation of HRH The Crown Princess of Denmark. For security reasons, no media will be allowed at UN City without prior registration. **REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE AT NOON (CET) ON SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER 2016.**

Registered journalists may collect their pass badges at the UN City security gate on Monday 12 September between 08:00 and 08:30 am – **please note time changes** – upon presentation of photo ID.

Photo opportunities for the accredited press

Monday 12 September

- ±08:40 – arrival of HRH The Crown Princess of Denmark

- 09:00 – opening session with addresses by HRH The Crown Princess and Dr Zsuzsanna Jakab, WHO Regional Director for Europe
- ±10:45 – Group photo taken of delegates, including VIPs.

Wednesday 14 September

- 09:00 – address by Dr Margaret Chan, WHO Director-General

Interviews

During the event, interviews on agenda topics with experts from the WHO Regional Office for Europe or country delegations can be arranged in liaison with WHO communication officers. Please send your interview requests to negruL@who.int.

Web streaming and daily updates

The plenary sessions will be available through web streaming in the four official languages of the WHO Regional Office for Europe (English, French, German and Russian) at <http://www.euro.who.int/en/rc66>. Side events and press briefings will not be streamed on the Internet.

Daily updates will be published on <http://www.euro.who.int/en/rc66>.

Journalists can also follow Regional Committee proceedings on social media:

- Twitter via @WHO_Europe and #RC66 (in English) and @WHO_Europe_RU and #PK65 (in Russian);
- Instagram via @whoeurope;
- Facebook via <https://www.facebook.com/WHOEurope/>.

Press room

The Press Room (**office 0.1.19**) will be located on the ground floor of UN City and will be open from 08:30 to 18:00 from Monday 12 September to Thursday 15 September.

For more information about the Regional Committee, draft strategies and action plans and other working documents, please visit www.euro.who.int/rc66 or contact:

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