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Annual session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe

Vilnius, Lithuania, 14–17 September 2015

Press programme

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Thursday 10 September 2015

14.30–15:30 Press conference by Dr Zsuzsanna Jakab, WHO Regional Director for Europe, and Mrs Rimantė Šalaševičiūtė, Minister of Health of Lithuania

The panellists will brief the press about the forthcoming WHO governing body session, which will bring over 300 high-level European health decision-makers and special guests (HRH Crown Princess Mary of Denmark; Dr Margaret Chan, WHO Director-General; Vytenis Andriukaitis, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety) to the Lithuanian capital.

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Ministry of Health of Lithuania, Vilnius str. 33, LT-01506 Vilnius, Lithuania

Monday, 14 September 2015

08:00–08:30 Press accreditation (*Lithuanian Exhibition and Congress Centre LITEXPO Laisves ave. 5, LT-04215 Vilnius, Lithuania*)

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09:00–10:45 Opening session, starting with speeches by

- **Dr Zsuzsanna Jakab, WHO Regional Director for Europe**
- **Her Royal Highness Crown Princess Mary of Denmark, Patron of WHO/Europe**
- **Mrs Rimantė Šalaševičiūtė, Minister of Health of Lithuania**

Start at 11:00 **Press briefing on main Regional Committee topics:**

WHO experts will talk about:

- the new WHO European physical activity strategy 2016–2020
- the roadmap of actions for full implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control in the WHO European Region 2015–2020
- the new European action plan for tuberculosis prevention and control 2016–2020;
- future directions of the environment and health process: and
- implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005) in the WHO European Region

Press room, Lithuanian Exhibition and Congress Centre LITEXPO

Tuesday 15 September 2015

09:00–10:00 **Address by Dr Margaret Chan, WHO Director-General**

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Thursday 17 September 2015

14:30–15:00 **Address by Vytenis Andriukaitis, European Commissioner for Health and Food Safety**

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