



The Director-General of the World Health Organization presents his compliments to Members of the European Region and has the honour to refer to [Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure of the Regional Committee for Europe](#) and the [Code of Conduct for the Nomination of the Regional Director of the European Region of the World Health Organization](#) adopted by the Sixty-third session of the Regional Committee for Europe.

In accordance with Rule 47.3 of the Rules of Procedure, not less than eleven months before the date fixed for the opening of a session of the Regional Committee at which a person is due to be nominated as Regional Director, the Director-General shall inform each Member of the Region that he will receive proposals of names of candidates for nomination by the Regional Committee as Regional Director. In accordance with Rule 47.4 of the Rules of Procedure, such proposals, as well as particulars of the person's qualifications and experience, shall be sent to the Director-General so as to reach him not less than seven months before the date fixed for the opening of the session.

In this regard, the Director-General has the honour to draw the attention of Members of the Region to the following points:

- (1) Any Member of the Region may, pursuant to Rule 47.4, propose the name or names of one or more persons for the post of Regional Director, submitting with each proposal particulars of each person's qualifications and experience, in accordance with the criteria adopted by resolution EUR/RC40/R3, affirmed and supplemented by [resolution EUR/RC47/R5](#).
- (2) Proposals should be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the reference "RD EURO 2019" and addressed to:

Director-General
c/o World Health Organization – Office of the Legal Counsel
Office 7058
20, Avenue Appia
1211 Geneva 27
Switzerland
- (3) In order to ensure safe receipt of proposals, it is recommended that proposals be sent by registered mail or hand delivered to the above address, with a request for receipt of delivery and that an additional copy be sent electronically to the following address: rdnomination@who.int.
- (4) Proposals should be communicated or dispatched in such a manner as to arrive at the headquarters of the Organization not later than **Friday, 15 February 2019** at 18:00 Central European Time.

As provided by Section B.II of the Code of Conduct, after the Director-General has dispatched copies of all proposals for nomination as Regional Director in accordance with Rule 47.9 of the Rules of Procedure:

- (1) The Director-General will open on the website of WHO a password-protected question-and-answer web forum open to all Member States and the candidates who request to participate in such a forum. When submitting proposals, Members are therefore kindly requested to indicate whether the persons proposed for the post of Regional Director are willing to participate in the question-and-answer web forum. A password and instructions related to the use of the web forum will be provided at the time the Director-General informs Members of the proposals received.
- (2) The Regional Office will post on its website information on all candidates who so request including their curricula vitae and other particulars of their qualification and experience as received from Members, as well as their contact information and the relevant rules and decision points pertaining to the nomination process as per Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure. The website will also provide links to individual websites of candidates upon request. Each candidate will be responsible for setting up and financing her/his own website. When submitting proposals, Members of the Region are kindly invited to indicate whether the person proposed for the post of Regional Director is willing to post her or his curriculum vitae and contact information, as well as links to her or his individual website, if applicable, on the website of the Regional Office.
- (3) Should candidates request to participate in the web forum and/or accept that their information as outlined above is posted on the website of the Regional Office, Members are kindly invited to send a recent digital photo of the candidate (colour, 100 x 150 pixels, jpg format), which can be used in the context of the web forum and the posting of information on the Regional Office's website, to the email address rdnomination@who.int.

The Director-General takes this opportunity to renew to the Members of the European Region the assurance of his highest consideration.

GENEVA, 16 October 2018

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