



## Joint Statement: International Federation of Medical Students' Associations & Centre for Regional Policy Research and Cooperation 'Studiorum' & European Medical Students' Association & European Forum of Primary Care

### Joint monitoring framework in the context of the roadmap to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, building on Health 2020, the European policy for health and well-being

Honourable Chair, distinguished delegates,

IFMSA, Studiorum, EMSA and European Forum of Primary Care applaud the Regional Office for building a joint monitoring framework, taking the next steps to achieve Health 2020 and the 2030 Agenda.

Data collection is of the utmost importance to close the gap between expressed political will and allocated funds and overcoming the lack of implementation and accountability mechanisms.

The report of the Regional Director shows that large health inequalities persist in the European Region. Our political and social challenges can only be tackled with a whole-of-government, whole-of-society and health-in-all-policy approach:

Therefore, as future healthcare professionals we urge the WHO and member states to:

1. **First:** collect and disaggregate data to allow an in-depth look at trends across different population groups focusing on marginalised groups in societies. The effects of quality education, social inclusion, the urban-rural spectrum, sexual orientation and gender must be monitored to ensure health for all.
2. **Second:** further strengthen synergies across sectors and ministries. For every new policy the effects on people's health should be considered. The expertise of the private sector including finance, agriculture and urban planning among other is needed to overcome our multidimensional health challenges.
3. **Third:** strengthen intergenerational collaboration. We appreciate the efforts of some WHO departments and governments to collaborate with us and other youth organisations. However, youth remain often either left out of conversations or their voices are tokenized. But what makes a society sustainable if not its children and youth?

We can only succeed by meaningful collaborations together: to create the future we want, the future that the next generations need and the future where truly no one is left behind. Thank you!