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## **Provisional programme**

### **Monday, 16 September 2019**

- 09:00–10:45      Opening of the session
- Election of officers
  - Adoption of the provisional agenda and the provisional programme
- Address by the Director-General
- 10:45–11:15      Coffee break
- 11:15–12:30      Address by the Regional Director and report on the work of the  
Regional Office since the 68th session of the WHO Regional  
Committee for Europe
- Discussion and general debate
- 12:30–14:30      Lunch break
- Ministerial lunch on leadership in public health in the WHO  
European Region*
- Technical briefing on digitalization of health systems*
- 14:30–15:30      Discussion and general debate (continued)
- 15:30–16:00      Keynote speech by Ola Rosling, President and  
co-founder of Gapminder Foundation: “For a fact-based  
worldview”
- 16:00–16:30      Coffee break
- 16:30–16:45      Report of the Twenty-sixth Standing Committee of the Regional  
Committee for Europe

16:45–18:15

Lessons learned from Health 2020 implementation

- Promoting health equity in the WHO European Region (including outcome of the regional high-level conference, Accelerating Progress towards Healthy and Prosperous Lives for All in the WHO European Region)
- Health 2020: leadership in public health in the WHO European Region, and lessons learned from seven years of implementation

**Tuesday, 17 September 2019**

- 09:00–12:30 Private meeting: elections and nominations
- (a) Nomination of the Regional Director
  - (b) Nomination of two members of the Executive Board
  - (c) Election of four members of the Standing Committee of the Regional Committee
- 12:30–14:30 Lunch break
- Ministerial lunch on the launch of the publication “Better health for Europe: more equitable and sustainable”, health awards and the launch of the World Patient Safety Day campaign*
- Technical briefing on health diplomacy and migration*
- 14:30–16:00 Lessons learned from Health 2020 implementation (continued)
- Health 2020: leadership in public health in the WHO European Region, and lessons learned from seven years of implementation
- 16:00–16:30 Coffee break
- 16:30–18:00 Implementation of the Programme budget 2018–2019 in the WHO European Region
- Programme budget 2020–2021: the regional perspective

**Wednesday, 18 September 2019**

- 09:00–09:20 Keynote speech by Ms Anne Bucher, Director-General, European Commission, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety
- 09:20–10:30 The WHO transformation and its implications for the WHO European Region
- 10:30–11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00–12:30 Putting countries at the centre in the WHO European Region
- 12:30–14:30 Lunch break
- Technical briefing on regional collaboration for health with parliaments in the WHO European Region*
- 14:30–16:00 Report on the work of the geographically dispersed offices in the WHO European Region
- 16:00–16:30 Coffee break
- 16:30–18:00 Accelerating primary health care in the WHO European Region: organizational and technological innovation in the context of the Declaration of Astana

**Thursday, 19 September 2019**

- 09:00–10:30 Matters arising from resolutions and decisions of the World Health Assembly and the Executive Board:
- Draft global strategy to accelerate cervical cancer elimination
  - Development of a global strategy for tuberculosis research and innovation
  - Summary of the draft global strategy on digital health
  - Development of a proposal for a decade of healthy ageing 2020–2030
- 10:30–11:00 Coffee break
- 11:00–12:30 Health literacy in the WHO European Region
- 12:30–14:30 Lunch break
- Technical briefing on children's and adolescents' health in the WHO European Region*
- First session of the Twenty-seventh Standing Committee of the Regional Committee for Europe*
- 14:30–15:00 Accreditation of regional non-State actors to the WHO Regional Committee for Europe
- 15:00–16:30 Progress reports
- Communicable diseases
- Implementation of the Action Plan for the Health Sector Response to HIV in the WHO European Region (resolution EUR/RC66/R9)
  - Implementation of the Action Plan for the Health Sector Response to Viral Hepatitis in the WHO European Region (resolution EUR/RC66/R10)
- Corporate services and enabling functions
- Audit and compliance
- Cross-cutting
- Action Plan for Sexual and Reproductive Health: towards achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in Europe – leaving no one behind (resolution EUR/RC66/R7)
  - Roadmap to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, building on Health 2020, the European policy for health and well-being (resolution EUR/RC67/R3)
- 16:30–16:45 Confirmation of dates and places of regular sessions of the Regional Committee

16:45–17:00            Other matters  
17:00–17:30            Closure of the session

**Technical briefings**

Digitalization of health systems (Monday lunch time)  
Health diplomacy and migration (Tuesday lunch time)  
Regional collaboration for health with parliaments in the WHO European Region (Wednesday lunch time)  
Children’s and adolescents’ health in the WHO European Region (Thursday lunch time)

**Ministerial lunches**

Leadership in public health in the WHO European Region (Monday)  
Ministerial lunch on the launch of the publication “Better health for Europe: more equitable and sustainable”, health awards and the launch of the World Patient Safety Day campaign (Tuesday)

**Side events**

Update on the work of the WHO collaborating centres (Wednesday breakfast)  
Briefing on the guide to resources for implementing the Sustainable Development Goals (Wednesday lunch time)  
Vaccine hesitancy (side event hosted by Denmark, Wednesday lunch time)  
Human resources for health (Thursday breakfast)  
Meeting of the national counterparts (Thursday lunch time)

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