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Resolution

European Food and Nutrition Action Plan 2015–2020

The Regional Committee,

Having considered the “European Food and Nutrition Action Plan 2015–2020” (document EUR/RC64/14);

Noting the priority attributed to the reduction of the burden of disease of diet-related noncommunicable diseases in the Twelfth General Programme of Work 2014–2019 and specifically for categories 2 (Noncommunicable diseases), 3 (Promoting health through the life-course) and 5 (Preparedness, surveillance and response);

Recalling resolution WHA63.23 calling for increased political commitment to prevent and reduce malnutrition in all its forms, to strengthen implementation of the *Global strategy for infant and young child feeding* and to scale up nutrition interventions;

Recalling the *Global action plan for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases 2013–2020*, endorsed by resolution WHA66.10;

Recognizing the importance of tackling noncommunicable diseases within the policy priorities of *Health 2020: a European policy framework and strategy for the 21st century*;

Noting resolution EUR/RC61/R3, adopting the *Action plan for implementation of the European Strategy for the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases 2012–2016* as a strategic framework for action by Member States in the European Region;

Noting resolution EUR/RC63/R4, endorsing the *Vienna Declaration on Nutrition and Noncommunicable Diseases in the Context of Health 2020*;

Understanding that this resolution is expected to cover the period through 2020 and supersedes resolution EUR/RC57/R4 on “Follow-up to the WHO European Ministerial Conference on Counteracting Obesity and Second European Action Plan for Food and Nutrition Policy”;

1. ADOPTS the “European Food and Nutrition Action Plan 2015–2020”, taking into account national contexts, legislation and cultural dimensions of nutrition;
2. URGES Member States:¹
 - (a) to give due consideration to the policy options presented in the Action Plan in developing, implementing and evaluating national policies on nutrition in accordance with national circumstances;
 - (b) to promote healthy diets throughout the life-course, ensuring a framework for healthy nutrition, using evidence-based policies at all levels, if available;
 - (c) to set up, if applicable, appropriate governance mechanisms for implementation of multisectoral actions to promote healthy diets and to prevent conditions related to malnutrition;
 - (d) to build intersectoral alliances and networks, engaging relevant stakeholders and fostering citizen empowerment;
 - (e) to strengthen national capacity of health care delivery systems to respond to nutritional problems and to promote healthy diets;
3. REQUESTS the Regional Director:
 - (a) to support Member States, upon request, in the implementation of the “European Food and Nutrition Action Plan 2015–2020”;
 - (b) to evaluate the implementation of the Action Plan;
 - (c) to pursue the aims of the Action Plan and the Vienna Declaration, in partnership with international, intergovernmental and non-state actors;

¹ And regional economic integration organizations, where applicable

- (d) to ensure necessary funding for the implementation of the resolution in future programme budgets and report through the Standing Committee of the Regional Committee on funding gaps;
- (e) to report to the Regional Committee on the implementation of the Action Plan at its 67th and 71st sessions in 2017 and 2021, respectively.

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