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The Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO) presents his compliments to Member States and regional economic integration organizations and has the honour to refer to Resolution WHA78.1, which established the open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG) to, inter alia, draft and negotiate the Annex to the WHO Pandemic Agreement described in Article 12 of the WHO Pandemic Agreement, and subsequently facilitate, as necessary, activities related to the adoption of said Annex and the opening for signature, ratification, acceptance, approval, accession or formal confirmation of the WHO Pandemic Agreement.

Member States are informed that the organizational meeting of the IGWG will be held at WHO headquarters, Geneva, from 9 to 10 July 2025 in hybrid format. The organizational meeting will open at 09:30 (CEST) on Wednesday, 9 July 2025.

Meeting registration and access

Online registration is required to participate virtually and in-person in the IGWG. Registration can be initiated as of 9 June 2025 by going to the following link: <https://indico.un.org/e/IGWG>. **Registration should be completed by 2 July 2025.**

Following registration, a personalized link to access the virtual platform will be sent to delegates in the days preceding the meeting. Registrations sent after the deadline may cause a delay in the receipt of a link to participate in the meeting.

In view of the space restriction in connection with ongoing renovations at WHO headquarters, up to two persons per delegation are invited to be physically present in the meeting room at WHO headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, with other members of the delegation participating through the virtual platform.

The documentation for the meeting will be published at the following link: <https://apps.who.int/gb/IGWG/> as soon as available in the six official languages.

In accordance with resolution WHA49.9 (1996), and to support the aim of achievement of SDG 5 (Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls), the Director-General invites Member States to consider that gender balance be applied to their delegations.

The Code of Conduct to prevent harassment, including sexual harassment, at WHO events is available at the following link: [Code of Conduct to prevent harassment, including sexual harassment, at WHO events](#).

The Director-General of the World Health Organization takes this opportunity to renew to Member States and regional economic integration organizations the assurance of his highest consideration.

GENEVA, 5 June 2025