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Dear Ms Sõber,

## Virtual meeting on the transformative potential of genomics and precision medicine 29 April 2025

I have the honour and pleasure of announcing the upcoming virtual meeting on the transformative potential of genomics and precision medicine, organized by the WHO Regional Office for Europe. It will take place via Zoom on 29 April 2025 from 09:30am – 14:30pm CET.

This meeting aims to bring together key stakeholders in the health sector to explore the significant opportunities genomics offers for improving health systems. It also aims to facilitate discussion on strengthening public health infrastructure, enhancing genomic literacy, and providing training for health-care professionals to develop advanced molecular diagnostics and targeted treatment pathways. The overall objectives are to foster equitable access to precision medicine and to ensure that innovations in this field are accessible and affordable to all who need them.

Please appoint up to two experts to attend this meeting, at which initiatives and strategies for collaboration and innovation will be discussed. We invite advance registration of participants, who will join online, using this link: <u>https://who.zoom.us/meeting/register/7JimaeiCRkahycZh5bSx2w</u>

Kindly also confirm the nominated delegates' online attendance, to <u>eurogenomics@who.int</u> at the latest by 15 March 2025. The working language for the meeting will be English with simultaneous Russian interpretation available virtually, and the provisional programme will be shared in due course. The responsible technical focal point for the meeting is Dr Tarang Sharma, Technical Officer, Access to Medicines and Health Products, Division of Country Health Policies and Systems (<u>tsharma@who.int</u>).

We look forward to receiving your kind feedback.

Sincerely yours,

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