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Establishing a Member State working group on digital health and artificial intelligence for the WHO European Region

Dear Sir or Madam,

I have the honour to invite you to nominate two representatives to join a regional Member State working group that will contribute to the development of a new global strategy on digital health (2028–2033), the updating of the Regional Digital Health Action Plan for the WHO European Region 2023–2030 and the operationalization of artificial intelligence as a key transformational shift within the WHO European Programme of Work (EPW) for 2026–2030.

This initiative follows the decision of the Seventy-eighth World Health Assembly to develop a new global strategy on digital health for 2028–2033. It also builds on the adoption of the Regional Digital Health Action Plan for the WHO European Region 2023–2030 during the 72nd session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe and the adoption of EPW by the 75th session of the Regional Committee, which identified “unlocking the potential of artificial intelligence for health” as one of its key transformational shifts, aimed at empowering people to deliver better care and build stronger health systems for all.

Please note that the WHO Regional Office for Europe will invite relevant partners – such as the European Commission, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development and other United Nations agencies – to join this effort in order to ensure alignment and international coordination, and to avoid duplication of efforts.

The Member State working group will hold its first meeting in February 2026 (date to be confirmed). Its online meetings will guide the formulation of a coordinated response to support countries in leveraging and scaling up digital transformation and artificial intelligence for better health outcomes at the regional and global levels.

The working languages will be English and Russian. Further details are provided in the attached scope and purpose document.

The Regional Office would be grateful if your ministry would nominate two representatives to participate: one expert with a technical background in digital health and/or artificial intelligence, and another with policy or strategic expertise, not necessarily limited to the digital health domain. This combination will ensure a balanced perspective and allow us to address both the technical and policy dimensions of the discussions.

Nominated representatives may come from ministries of health, public health institutes, national digitalization offices or comparable institutions. The goal is to form a diverse and multidisciplinary group of professionals who can work collaboratively to advance digital health and artificial intelligence for better health in the WHO European Region.

We kindly request that you send your representatives' names, functional titles and contact details no later than **22 December 2025** to David Novillo Ortiz, Regional Adviser for Data, Artificial Intelligence and Digital Health (dnovillo@who.int).

Once the nominations are received, the Regional Office will contact the participants directly with further information and documentation.

Thank you for your continued collaboration and valuable support to this important initiative.

Yours sincerely,



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