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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 (2025), which established the open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG) on the WHO Pandemic Agreement.

Member States are informed that the eighth meeting of the IGWG will be held at WHO headquarters, Geneva, from 14 to 18 September 2026 in a hybrid format. The eighth meeting will open at 09:00 (CEST) on Monday, 14 September 2026.

Meeting registration and access

Renewed CVENT registration will not be required for delegates who participated in IGWG7 and possess a valid UN badge.

Member States who did not register for the seventh meeting and/or do not have a valid UN badge should register from 10 to 24 August 2026 at the following link: <https://events.who.int/IGWG8>. In that regard, all delegates travelling from capitals to Geneva should register before the deadline to obtain a badge.

In view of limited capacity, the link will be deactivated at the close of the deadline with no further opportunity to register. During registration in CVENT, delegations are required to upload a credential, detailing the delegate(s) in the following format: email address, Country, name (first name and surname of the delegate).

A personalized link to access the virtual platform will be sent by Friday 11 September 2026 to delegates who registered for the eighth meeting as well as the seventh meeting. Two persons per delegation are invited to be physically present in the meeting room at WHO headquarters, 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, 3 August 2026