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... The Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO) presents his compliments to Member States and Associate Members and has the honour to attach the draft provisional agenda for the 160th session of the Executive Board to be held from 25 January to 2 February 2027.

Any proposal from a Member State or Associate Member to include an item on the agenda should reach the Director-General not later than 12 weeks after circulation of the draft provisional agenda or 10 weeks before the commencement of the session of the Executive Board whichever is earlier. Proposals should therefore reach the Director-General by 14 September 2026.

The Director-General draws to the attention of Member States and Associate Members that, in accordance with Rule 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, any proposal for inclusion on the agenda of any item **shall be accompanied by an explanatory memorandum.**<sup>1</sup>

Following receipt of proposals, the Director-General will draw up the provisional agenda in consultation with Officers of the Executive Board. The provisional agenda will be annotated and will explain any recommendations made regarding the deferral or exclusion of proposals. It will be dispatched to Member States with the letter of convocation no later than eight weeks before commencement of the 160th session of the Executive Board.

The Director-General takes this opportunity to renew to Member States and Associate Members the assurance of his highest consideration.

GENEVA, 22 June 2026

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<sup>1</sup> [https://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf\\_files/EB156/EB\\_explanatory-memorandum-en.pdf](https://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/EB156/EB_explanatory-memorandum-en.pdf).

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## **Draft provisional agenda**

- 1. Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Report by the Director-General**
- 3. Report of the regional committees to the Executive Board**
- 4. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**

### **Power and performance**

- 5. Post of Director-General**
  - 5.1 Nomination of candidates
  - 5.2 Process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization
  - 5.3 Draft contract

### **Provide health**

- 6. Preparations for the United Nations high-level meeting on universal health coverage**
- 7. Follow-up to the political declaration of the fourth high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases and the promotion of mental health and well-being**
- 8. Mental health**
- 9. Draft global plan of action on public health responses to skin diseases**
- 10. Draft global strategy on donation and transplantation**
- 11. Substandard and falsified medical products**
- 12. International classification of diseases**
- 13. Draft global strategy on digital health 2028–2033**

## **Protect health**

- 14. Poliomyelitis**
- 15. WHO's work in health emergencies**
- 16. Implementation of resolution WHA75.11 (2022)**
- 17. Implementation of resolution WHA79.6 (2026)**
- 18. Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem**

## **Promote health**

- 19. Draft global action plan on lead mitigation**
- 20. Draft global plan of action for the health of Indigenous Peoples**
- 21. Fostering social connection for global health: the essential role of social connection in combating loneliness, social isolation and inequities in health**

## **Power and performance**

### **22. Budget and finance matters**

- 22.1 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget 2026–2027
- 22.2 Proposed programme budget 2028–2029
- 22.3 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
- 22.4 Scale of assessments 2028–2029

### **23. Management and governance matters**

#### 23.1 Governance reform

- Secretariat implementation plan on reform
- Sustainable model for Member State-led governance reform

#### 23.2 Engagement with non-State actors

- Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors
- Non-State actors in official relations with WHO

#### 23.3 Prevention of sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment

### **24. Reform of the global health architecture and the UN80 Initiative**

### **25. Provisional agenda of the Eightieth World Health Assembly and date and place of the 161st session of the Executive Board**

**26. Committees of the Executive Board**

26.1 Foundation committees and selection panels

26.2 Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee: membership renewal [if any]

**27. Staffing matters**

27.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations

27.2 Report of the Ombudsperson

27.3 Human resources: update

27.4 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

27.5 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

**28. Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**

- Expert advisory panels and committees and their membership

**29. Closure of the session**

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