REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR AFRICA

Sixty-fifth session
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DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND DATES OF THE SIXTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE, AND PLACE OF THE SIXTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

1. In accordance with Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Regional Committee and Procedural Decision No.9 of its Sixty-fourth session, the Regional Committee decided to hold its Sixty-sixth session in Ethiopia.

2. As regards Member States’ requests to host the Regional Committee, it should be noted that the cost of holding the Regional Committee outside the Regional Office is high. Furthermore, by virtue of Resolution AFR/RC41/R13, the additional costs of hosting the Regional Committee in a country other than that of the Regional Office shall be fully borne by the host country.

3. Should a Member State wish to host a Regional Committee, an agreement is drawn up between the host country’s government and the World Health Organization, covering the following items that are required for the Regional Committee meeting:

   (a) premises, furniture and equipment, including interpretation equipment required for the Regional Committee’s work;
   (b) lighting equipment, including maintenance, electric power supply and ventilation of the premises;
   (c) staff for maintenance, cleaning and surveillance of the premises, installations, equipment and supplies;
   (d) postal and telephone service, together with radio and television coverage essential for the efficient and proper coverage of the Regional Committee’s proceedings;
   (e) accommodation and travel expenses for the WHO Secretariat authorized to attend the meeting;
   (f) vehicles for transporting Member State representatives, members of the WHO Secretariat, equipment, supplies and documents;
   (g) national currency at the best rate of exchange and in the amount needed to meet the Organization’s expenses in the host country.

4. The Regional Director deems it expedient to draw the attention of the Member States to the need to give full consideration to these commitments.
5. The Regional Committee agreed that the dates for its Sixty-sixth session will be from 27–31 August 2016 in Addis Ababa, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia. The draft provisional agenda of the Sixty-sixth session of the Regional Committee is attached herewith.

6. The Republic of Zimbabwe has offered to host the Sixty-seventh session of the Regional Committee in Harare in 2017. The Regional Committee has considered this offer.
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DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Constitution of the Subcommittee on Nominations
3. Election of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteurs
4. Adoption of the agenda
5. Appointment of members of the Subcommittee on Credentials
6. The Work of WHO in the African Region
7. Statement of the Chairman of the Programme Subcommittee
8. [Matters of global concern related to World Health Assembly decisions and resolutions]
9. Integrated prevention and control of oral diseases:
10. Regional strategy for Health security and emergencies
13. The Regional End TB Strategy 2016–2020
15. Prevention, Care and Treatment of Viral Hepatitis: Strategy for the African Region, 2016–2021
16. Prevention and Control of Sexually Transmitted Infections:
   strategy for the African Region, 2016–2021
17. Regional strategy on regulation of medical products in the African Region
18. Rules of procedure of the Regional Committee meetings in Africa

20. **Information**

   20.1 Report on WHO staff in the African Region
   20.2 Regional matters arising from reports of the WHO internal and external audits
   20.3 Progress report on the implementation of the Health and Human Rights resolution
   20.4 Progress report on the implementation of the Health Sector Strategy on Disaster Risk Management
   20.5 Progress report on utilizing e-health solutions to improve national health systems in the African Region
   20.6 Progress report on the African Health Observatory and its role in strengthening health information systems in the African Region
   20.7 Progress report on the implementation of the regional strategy on enhancing the role of traditional medicine in health systems
   20.8 Progress report on implementation of the regional road map on human resources
   20.9 Progress report on implementation of the Regional HIV Strategy 2011–2015

21. Draft provisional agenda and dates of the Sixty-seventh session of the Regional Committee and place of the Sixty-eighth session of the Regional Committee

22. Adoption of the report of the Regional Committee

23. Closure of the Sixty-sixth session of the Regional Committee