REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR AFRICA

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Provisional agenda item 17

DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA, PLACE AND DATES OF THE SEVENTY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

1. In accordance with Rule 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the Regional Committee, the Regional Director presents the following proposal on the place and dates for the Seventy-fifth session of the Regional Committee:

2. 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. Should a Member State be interested in hosting the Regional Committee, an agreement is drawn up between the host country’s government and the World Health Organization, covering the following items 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; national currency at the best rate of exchange and in the amount needed to meet the Organization’s expenses in the host country.

3. The Regional Director deems it expedient to draw the attention of Member States to the need to give full consideration to these commitments.

4. Any Member State that wishes to host the Seventy-fifth session of the Regional Committee should express its interest during the consideration of this agenda item. In the event that there is no expression of interest from any Member State, the Regional Director proposes that the Regional Committee be held in the WHO Regional Office for Africa. It is further proposed that the Seventy-fifth session of the Regional Committee be held from 25 to 29 August 2025. The draft provisional agenda is attached herewith.
ANNEX

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Election of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairpersons and the Rapporteurs
3. Adoption of the provisional agenda and provisional programme of work
4. Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
5. Statement of the Chairperson of the Programme Subcommittee
7. (Matters of global concern related to World Health Assembly decisions and resolutions)

Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage

8. Regional framework for strengthening implementation of the global oral health action plan: addressing oral diseases as part of noncommunicable diseases toward universal health coverage and health for all by 2030
9. The primary health care initiative for Africa: A roadmap for renewing primary health care to achieve Sustainable Development Goal outcomes by 2030
10. Regional strategy to strengthen rehabilitation in health systems, 2025–2035
11. Regional strategy to implement people-centred care along the life course for the WHO African Region
12. Framework for implementing the global strategy to advance universal access to safe, effective and quality-assured blood products in the WHO African Region

Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies

13. Polio transition operational framework for the WHO African Region, 2025–2035
14. Status of public health and emergency workforce in Africa
15. Status of detection and reporting of public health events in Africa
16. Synergizing health system resilience and emergency preparedness: Building a unified approach to reducing avoidable morbidity and mortality

17. Strategic partnerships for health security in Africa

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

18. (Regional Director’s agenda for WHO in the African Region)

19. Draft Proposed programme budget 2026–2027

20. Draft provisional agenda, place, and dates of the Seventy-sixth session of the Regional Committee

21. Information documents

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**


21.2 Report on the Regional Strategy for expediting the implementation and monitoring of national action plans on antimicrobial resistance, 2023–2030 in the WHO African Region

21.3 Report on the Regional Strategy on diagnostic and laboratory services and systems, 2023–2032 for the WHO African Region

21.4 Progress report on the implementation of the Strategy for scaling up health innovations in the African Region

21.5 Mid-term review of PEN-PLUS – A regional strategy to address severe noncommunicable diseases at first-level referral health facilities

21.6 Progress report on the Regional oral health strategy 2016–2025: addressing oral diseases as part of noncommunicable diseases

21.7 Progress report on the Framework to strengthen the implementation of the comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2030 in the WHO African Region

21.8 Progress report on the Framework for provision of essential health services through strengthened district/local health systems to support UHC in the context of the SDGs

21.9 Progress report on the implementation of the Declaration of Astana on primary health care in the Region

21.10 Progress report on the Framework for health systems development towards universal health coverage in the context of the Sustainable Development Goals in the African Region


**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**


**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being**
21.14 Progress report on the Regional Multisectoral strategy to promote health and well-being, 2023–2030 in the WHO African Region

21.15 Progress report on the Regional strategy for community engagement, 2023–2030 in the WHO African Region

21.16 Final report on the implementation of the Strategic plan to reduce the double burden of malnutrition in the African Region (2019–2025)

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**


21.18 Report on WHO staff in the African Region

21.19 Regional matters arising from reports of WHO internal and external audits

22. Adoption of the report of the Regional Committee

23. Closure of the Seventy-fifth session of the Regional Committee.