REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR AFRICA

Sixty-ninth session
Brazzaville, Republic of Congo, 19–23 August 2019

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Sunday, 18 August 2019

09:00 Walk the Talk: Promoting physical activity (Corniche)

DAY 1: Monday, 19 August 2019

Morning session Venue: Grand Kintele Hotel - Kintele

09:00–11:30 Agenda item 1 Opening of the meeting
11:30–12:00 Group photograph followed by tea break
12:00–14:00 Lunch break
14:00–15:00 (Transportation of participants to the Regional Office)

Afternoon Session Venue: WHO Regional Office Conference Room 1

15:00–15:30 Agenda item 2 Election of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairpersons and the Rapporteurs
15:30–16:30 Agenda item 3 Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and Programme of Work (Document AFR/RC69/1)
15:30–16:30 Agenda item 4 Appointment of Members of the Committee on Credentials
16:30–17:00 Tea break (Meeting of the Committee on Credentials)
17:00–17:30 Agenda Item 6 Statement of the Chairperson of the Programme Subcommittee (Document AFR/RC69/3)
17:30–18:30 Agenda Item 8 Nomination of the Regional Director (Note by the Legal Counsel) (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/10)
18:30  End of the day’s session

18:45  Reception hosted by the Government of the Republic of Congo and the Regional Director

DAY 2: Tuesday, 20 August 2019

09:00–09:15  Agenda item 4 (cont’d)  Report of the Committee on Credentials

09:15–10:45  Agenda item 8  Nomination of the Regional Director (Interview session – closed meeting)

10:45–12:30  Agenda Item 8  Nomination of the Regional Director (Voting - closed meeting)

12:30–14:30  Lunch break

13:00–14:15  Side Event  Contributing to Universal Health Coverage: Lessons from country experiences

14:30–16:00  Agenda Item 7  Regional orientation on the implementation of the WHO Programme Budget 2020–2021 (Document AFR/RC69/4)

16:00–16:30  Tea break


17:30  End of the day’s session

17:45–19:00  Side Event  ESPEN side event on NTDs

DAY 3: Wednesday, 21 August 2019

07:30–08:45  Breakfast meeting  Three Years without a wild poliovirus case in the African Region: Let us finish polio once and for all – by invitation only

09:00–09:10  Agenda item 4 (cont’d)  Report of the Committee on Credentials


10:30–11:00  Tea Break
11:00–12:30  **Agenda item 11**  Strategic plan to reduce the double burden of malnutrition in the African Region: 2019–2025  
(Document AFR/RC69/7)

12:30–14:30  **Lunch break**

13:00–14:15  **Side event**  *The Africa Continental TB Accountability Framework for Action: Enhancing leadership for Ending TB in Africa by 2030*

14:30–16:00  **Agenda item 12**  Framework for provision of essential health services through strengthened district/local health systems to support UHC in the context of the SDGs  
(Document AFR/RC69/8)

16:00–16:30  **Tea Break**

16:30  **End of the day’s session**

16:30–18:00  **Side Event**  *Side event on Sickle Cell Disease*

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**DAY 4: Thursday, 22 August 2019**

09:00–10:30  **Agenda item 13**  Framework for the implementation of the Global Vector Control Response in the WHO African Region  
(Document AFR/RC69/9)

10:30–11:00  **Tea Break**

11:00–12:30  **Agenda item 14**  Accelerating the response to noncommunicable diseases in the African Region in line with the Political Declaration of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of NCDs  
(Document AFR/RC69/10)

12:30–14:30  **Lunch Break**

13:00–14:30  **Side event**  *Immunization for all by 2030 – Success and challenges towards reaching every child*

14:30–16:30  **Agenda item 15**  **Information Documents**

**Agenda Item 15.1**  Progress on the implementation of the Regional Strategy on Health Security and Emergencies  
(Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/1)

**Agenda Item 15.2**  Progress report on the implementation of the Regional Strategic Plan for Immunization 2014–2020  
(Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/2)
Agenda Item 15.3  Progress report on the implementation of the Regional Strategy for cancer prevention and control  
(Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/3)
Agenda Item 15.4  Progress in the implementation of the Regional strategy and Regional Strategic Plan for Neglected Tropical Diseases 2014–2020  
(Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/4)
Agenda Item 15.5  The first United Nations General Assembly High-level Meeting on TB – Implications for the WHO African Region  
(Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/5)
Agenda Item 15.6  Progress report on the implementation of the Regional Framework for Public Health Adaptation to Climate Change  
(Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/6)
Agenda Item 15.7  Progress Report towards Certification of Polio Eradication and Endgame Strategy in the African Region  
(Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/7)
Agenda Item 15.8  Report on WHO Staff in the African Region  
(Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/8)
Agenda Item 15.9  Regional matters arising from reports of the WHO internal and external audits  
(Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/9)

16:00–16:30  Tea break

16:30–17:00  Agenda item 16  Draft provisional agenda, place and dates of the Seventieth session of the Regional Committee  
(Document AFR/RC69/11)

17:00  End of the day’s session

17:00–19:30  Side event  Improving Access to Assistive Technology in the African Region: Inclusiveness in Universal Health Coverage

Day 5: Friday, 23 August 2019

09:00–12:00  Agenda item 17  Adoption of the report of the Regional Committee  
(Document AFR/RC69/12)

12:00–12:30  Agenda item 18  Closure of the Sixty-ninth session of the Regional Committee

12:30–14:30  Lunch

14:30  Site visit in Brazzaville