**REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR AFRICA**

Seventy-fourth session  
Brazzaville, Republic of Congo, 26–30 August 2024

**Provisional agenda item 3**

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK**

(Time: GMT/UTC+2)

**Sunday, 25 August 2024**

07:30–10:00  *Walk the Talk*

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**DAY 1: Monday, 26 August 2024**

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09:00–09:30  Agenda item 5  Statement of the Chairperson of the Programme Subcommittee (Document AFR/RC74/2)

09:30–10:30  Agenda item 6 (contd)  Nomination of the Regional Director (Interview session)

10:30–11:00  Health break

11:00–12:00  Agenda item 6 (contd)  Nomination of the Regional Director (Interview session)

12:00–14:00  Lunch break

12:15–13:45  Special Event  WHO Investment Round: Making Africa’s voice heard

14:00–16:30  Agenda item 6 (contd)  Nomination of the Regional Director (Voting - closed meeting)

16:30–17:00  Health break

17:00–18:00  Agenda item 6 (contd)  Nomination of the Regional Director (Open meeting)

18:00  End of the day’s session

18:30–20:30  Side event 1  Advancing African leadership and unified voice in global health initiatives: towards realization of the Lusaka agenda.

DAY 3: Wednesday, 28 August 2024

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

07:30–08:45  Breakfast meeting  Closed door session with Ministers of Health on polio in the Lake Chad Basin (by invitation only)
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09:00–10:30  **Agenda item 12**

An innovative approach to strengthening the global architecture for health emergency preparedness and response in the WHO African Region (Document AFR/RC74/8)

10:30–11:00  **Health break**

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being**

11:00–12:15  **Agenda item 13**


12:15–14:15  **Lunch Break**

12:30–14:00  **Side event 4**

*Turning Words into Action: Operationalizing the Africa Health Workforce Investment Charter*

14:15–15:30  **Agenda item 14**

Framework for implementing the WHO global strategy for food safety 2022–2030 in the African Region (Document AFR/RC74/10)

15:30–16:00  **Health break**

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

16:00–17:15  **Agenda item 16**

Draft proposed Programme Budget 2026-2027 (Document AFR/RC74/12)

17:15–18:15  **Agenda item 8**

Process for the nomination and appointment of Regional Directors (Document AFR/RC74/4)

18:15  **End of the day’s session**

18:30–20:30  **Side event 5**

*Advancing Immunization Agenda 2030 Goals in Africa: Current and Future Initiatives including the Promise of AVAREF*

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**DAY 5: Friday, 30 August 2024**

07:30–08:45  **Breakfast meeting**

*Promoting equitable access to life-saving health products including malaria vaccines in Africa*

09:00–10:30  **Agenda Item 18**  **Information documents (contd)**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**
**Agenda item 18.1**
Progress report on the Framework for strengthening the use of evidence information and research for policy-making in the African Region (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/2)

**Agenda item 18.2**
Progress report on the Framework for implementing the Global strategy on digital health in the WHO African Region (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/3)

**Agenda item 18.3**
Progress report on the African Health Observatory (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/4)

**Agenda item 18.4**
Progress report on the Framework for implementing the priority actions of the global plan of action of the Decade of Healthy ageing (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/5)

**Agenda item 18.5**
Progress report on the Framework for improving access to assistive technology in the WHO African Region (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/6)

**Agenda item 18.6**
Progress report on the Framework for the implementation of the Immunization Agenda 2030 in the WHO African Region (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/7)

**Agenda item 18.7**
Progress Report on the Framework for the integrated control, elimination, and eradication of tropical and vector-borne diseases in the Africa Region (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/8)

10:30–11:00 *Health break*

10:30–12:00 **Agenda Item 18**
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**Agenda item 18.8**
Progress report on the Regional strategy for health securities and emergencies 2022–2030 (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/9)

**Agenda item 18.9**
Progress report on the Framework for implementing the Global strategy to eliminate yellow fever epidemics (EYE) 2017–2026 (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/10)

**Agenda item 18.10**
Progress report on the status of country engagement and implementation of the Universal Health and Preparedness Review (UHPR) in the African Region (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/11)

**Agenda item 18.11**
Progress report on the Framework for the implementation of the Global Strategy to defeat Meningitis by 2030 in the WHO African Region (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/12)
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**Agenda item 18.12** Progress report on the Framework for the implementation of the Global strategy to accelerate the elimination of cervical cancer as a public health problem (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/13)

**Agenda item 18.13** Progress report on the Framework for the implementation of the Global vector control response in the WHO African Region (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/14)


**Agenda item 18.15** Progress report on the updated regional strategy for the management of environmental determinants of human health in the African Region 2022–2032 (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/16)

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**Agenda item 18.16** Report on WHO staff in the African Region (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/17)

**Agenda item 18.17** Regional matters arising from reports of the WHO internal and external audits (Document AFR/RC74/INF.DOC/18)

12:00–12:30 **Agenda item 17** Draft provisional agenda, place, and dates of the Seventy-fifth session of the Regional Committee (Document AFR/RC74/13)

12:45–13:00 **Agenda item 19** Adoption of the report of the Regional Committee (Document AFR/RC74/14)

13:00–13:30 **Agenda item 20** Closure of the Seventy-fourth session of the Regional Committee

13:30–14:30 Lunch

14:30 *The Congo experience.*