



16 October 2014

WHO REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN

DRAFT PROVISIONAL DAILY TIME-TABLE

Sixty-first Session, Tunis, Tunisia, 19–22 October 2014

Sunday, 19 October 2014

TECHNICAL MEETINGS

(Le Serail Conference Hall)

*Session One*

*Chairman:*

09.00-10.00

Social determinants of health: moving to concrete action in the Region

- Introduction by Sir Michael Marmot and Dr Ala Alwan
- Discussions

10.00-11.00

Preparedness for disease outbreaks with special emphasis on Ebola and MERS-CoV

- Introduction by Dr Keiji Fukuda and Dr Mamunur Malik
- Discussions

11.00-11.30

*Break*

11.30-12.30

Polio eradication in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

- Introduction by H.E. Dr Saira Tarar, Dr Bruce Aylward and Dr Chris Maher
- Discussions

12.30-13.30

*Break*

*Session Two*

*Chairman: H.E. Dr Adel H. Adawi, Minister of Health and Population of Egypt*

13.30-14.30

Towards a public health response to climate change and air pollution in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

- Introduction by Dr Ala Alwan and Dr Basil Al-Yousfi
- Discussions

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14.30-15.30

Saving the lives of mothers and children: progress on accelerating action on Millennium Development Goals 4 and 5

- Introduction by Dr Haifa Madi
- Discussions

15.30-16.30

Prevention and control of viral hepatitis B and C: New opportunities for scaling up national efforts

- Introduction by H.E. Dr Adel Adawi and Dr Gabriel Rieder
- Discussions

19.00-20.00

**Opening of the Sixty-first Session of the Regional Committee  
(*Le Serail Conference Room*)**

- Recital from the Holy Quran
- Formal opening of the Session by H.E. Dr Ahmed bin Mohamed bin Obaid Al Saidi, Minister of Health, Oman, and Chairman of the Sixtieth Session of the Regional Committee.
- Address by Dr Ala Alwan, WHO Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean
- Address by Dr Margaret Chan, WHO Director-General
- Welcome speech by the Government of Tunisia

20.00

*Dinner ( Al-Riyadh-Le Palace Hotel)*

**DAY ONE**

**Monday, 20 October 2014**

**09.00-10.30**

**Regular sessions**

a) Election of officers

- Chair
- 2 Vice-Chairs
- Chair of Technical Discussions

(b) Adoption of the provisional agenda and the provisional daily time-table

(c) Decision on:

Establishment of the Drafting Committee

Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 2013 and progress reports

- Introduction by Dr Ala Alwan
- Discussions

*(Agenda item 3)*

*EM/RC61/4*

*EM/RC61/INF.DOC.1-6*

10.30-11.00  
**Monday, 20 October 2014**  
**Continued**

*Break - Group photo- All members of delegations*

11.00-13.00

**Technical discussions**

Global health security – challenges and opportunities with special emphasis on the International Health Regulations (2005)

- Introduction by Dr Keiji Fukuda
- Discussions

*Agenda item 4(a)*  
*EM/RC61/Tech.Disc.1*

13.00-14.30

*Break – Lunch-time event: Please refer to Annex 1*

14.30-16.30

**WHO reform and programme and budget matters**

- Introduction by Dr Walid Ammar and Dr Samir Ben Yahmed
- Discussions

Operational planning for 2014-2015: process, outcomes, and lessons learnt

*(Agenda item 2(a))*  
*EM/RC61/2*

Proposed programme budget 2016-2017

*(Agenda item 2(b))*  
*EM/RC61/3*  
*EM/RC61/3-Annex 1*

16.30-17.00

Break

**17.00-18.00**

Ministerial Panel discussion on noncommunicable diseases  
*(parallel to afternoon functions- Please refer to annex 1)*

*Dinner and Awards Ceremony- Restaurant le Grand Bleu, Gammarth*

## DAY TWO

**Tuesday, 21 October 2014**

09.00-10.30

### **Technical Discussions**

Emergency preparedness and response

- Introduction by Dr Bruce Aylward and Dr Samir Ben Yahmed
- Discussions

*(Agenda item 4(b))*

*EM/RC61/Tech.Disc.2*

*10.30-11.00*

*Break*

11.00-12.30

### **Technical papers**

Noncommunicable diseases: Implementation of the Political Declaration of the United Nations General Assembly, and follow-up on the UN Review Meeting in July 2014

- Introduction by Dr Oleg Chestnov and Dr Samer Jabbour
- Discussions

*(Agenda item 5(a))*

*EM/RC61/5*

12.30-14.00

### **Technical papers**

Health system strengthening for universal health coverage 2012-2016: midterm review of progress and prospects

- Introduction by Dr Marie-Paule Kieny and Dr Sameen Siddiqi
- Discussions

*Agenda item 5(b))*

*EM/RC61/6*

*14.00-15.00*

*Break*

15.00-16.30

### **Technical papers**

Reinforcing health information systems

- Introduction by Dr Mohamed Ali
- Discussions

*Agenda item 5(c)*

*EM/RC61/7*

*16.30-17.00*

*Break*

Afternoon functions: Please refer to Annex 1

### DAY THREE

Wednesday, 22 October 2014

09.00-11.00	Framework of engagement with non-State actors <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction</li><li>• Discussions</li></ul>	<i>Agenda item 6(c)</i> <i>EM/RC61/9</i>
	Resolutions and decisions of regional interest adopted by the Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly and the Executive Board at its 134th and 135th Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction by Dr Jaouad Mahjour</li><li>• Discussions</li></ul>	<i>Agenda item 6(a)</i> <i>EM/RC61/8</i>
	Review of the draft provisional agenda of the 136 <sup>th</sup> Session of the WHO Executive Board <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction by Dr Jaouad Mahjour</li><li>• Discussions</li></ul>	<i>Agenda item 6(b)</i> <i>EM/RC61/8-Annex 1</i>
	Review of implementation of Regional Committee resolutions 2000-2011 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction by Dr Jaouad Mahjour</li><li>• Discussions</li></ul>	<i>Agenda item 10</i> <i>EM/RC61/INF.DOC.11</i>
11.00-11.30	<i>Break</i>	
11.30-13.30	Nomination of a Member State to the Joint Coordinating Board of the Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Disease <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction by Dr Ezzeddine Mohsni</li><li>• Discussions</li></ul>	<i>Agenda item 7(a)</i> <i>EM/RC61/10</i>
	Nomination of a Member State to the Board of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction by Dr Ezzeddine Mohsni</li><li>• Discussions</li></ul>	<i>Agenda item 7(b)</i> <i>EM/RC61/11</i>
	Nomination of a Member State to the Policy and Coordination Committee of the Special Programme of Research, Development, and Research Training in Human Reproduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction Dr Haifa Madi</li><li>• Discussions</li></ul>	<i>Agenda item 7(c)</i> <i>EM/RC61/12</i>
	Place and date of future sessions of the Regional Committee	<i>Agenda item 11</i> <i>EM/RC61/INF.DOC.12</i>
13.30-14.30	<i>Break</i>	
14.30-15.30	Adoption of the report, resolutions and decisions	
	Closing session	<i>(Agenda item 13)</i>

## **Annex 1 – Lunch-time and afternoon events**

### **TECHNICAL MEETINGS DAY : Sunday, 19 October 2014**

16.30-17.30 Ministerial G5 Meeting

*Venue: Al-Nadwa- First Floor*

### **DAY ONE: Monday, 20 October 2014**

13.30-14.30 Public health leadership programme  
Lunch-time event

*Venue: Le Serail Conference Room*

17.00-18.00 Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation, Down Syndrome, and State of  
Afternoon functions Kuwait Prize selection  
(closed meeting)

*Focal point from Secretariat: Dr Tamas Landesz*

*Venue: Al-Majless, First Floor*

17.00-18.00 Meeting for updating on the support of the GAVI Alliance – The  
GAVI eligible countries are Afghanistan, Djibouti, Pakistan,  
Somalia, Sudan and Yemen.

*Focal point from Secretariat: Dr Ezzedine Mohsni*

*Venue: Al-Nadwa- First Floor*

### **DAY TWO: Tuesday, 21 October 2014**

17.00-18.00 Side meeting on Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria  
Afternoon functions

*Focal point from Secretariat: Dr Ezzedine Mohsni*

*Venue: Al-Nadwa, First Floor*