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1. Programme of work

Monday, 3 October 2016

Pre-Regional Committee technical session (Kuwait Conference Hall)

Prevention and care of genetic and congenital disorders, including preconception
Emergency health services
Developing a package of high priority health interventions for universal health coverage
Strengthening national health information systems for better reporting of regional core indicators and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
Health workforce development in the Eastern Mediterranean Region
Addressing air quality and health in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

Opening of the 63rd Session of the Regional Committee (Kuwait Conference Hall)

Formal opening of the session

Address by Dr Ala Alwan, WHO Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean

Address by Dr Margaret Chan, WHO Director-General

Dinner hosted by Regional Director and distribution of awards (Fairmont Hotel, Heliopolis)

Tuesday, 4 October 2016

Agenda item Regular session

1	Election of officers Adoption of the provisional agenda and provisional daily time-table Establishment of the Drafting Committee	
3	Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 2015 and progress reports	EM/RC63/3 EM/RC63/INF.DOC.1-6

Agenda item Special session

Implementation of the United Nations Political Declaration on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases
Progress of implementation of IHR capacities in the Region with special focus on JEE assessments and health security threats
Framework for action on advancing universal health coverage in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

Agenda item	Private meeting
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7	Nomination of the Regional Director	EM/RC63/WP.1
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Wednesday, 5 October 2016

Agenda item	Regular session
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5(a)	Improving access to assistive technology	EM/RC63/4
5(b)	Strategic framework for strengthening health laboratories and blood transfusion services	EM/RC63/5 EM/RC63/6
4(a)	Scaling up family practice: progressing towards universal health coverage	EM/RC63/Tech.Disc.1
6(c)	Governance reform	EM/RC63/8
2(a)	Proposed programme budget 2018–2019	EM/RC63/2

Thursday, 6 October 2016

Agenda item	Regular session
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6(a)	Resolutions and decisions of regional interest adopted by the Sixty-ninth World Health Assembly and the Executive Board at its 138th and 139th Sessions	EM/RC63/7
6(b)	Review of the draft provisional agenda of the 140th Session of the WHO Executive Board	EM/RC63/7-Annex 1
10	Place and date of future sessions of the Regional Committee	EM/RC63/INF.DOC.10
	Closing session	
	Adoption of the report, resolutions and decisions	

2. Other meetings

Side meetings	Venue
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Daily meetings of the Drafting Committee	Fourth floor meeting room
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Wednesday, 5 October

Access to controlled medicines in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	Fifth floor meeting room
Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation, Down Syndrome and State of Kuwait Prize selection (closed meeting)	Sixth floor meeting room
High-level Commission on Health Employment and Economic Growth: briefing for the Regional Committee	Fifth floor meeting room
Meeting for updating on the support of the GAVI Alliance (the GAVI eligible countries are Afghanistan, Djibouti, Pakistan, Somalia, Sudan and Yemen)	Fifth floor meeting room

3. Other information

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