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Agenda item 16

**DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA, PLACE AND DATES OF
THE SEVENTIETH 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 Seventieth session of the Regional Committee.
2. As regards Member States' requests to host the Regional Committee, it should be noted that the cost of holding the Regional Committee outside the Regional Office is high. Furthermore, 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;
3. Should a Member State wish to host a Regional Committee, an agreement is drawn up between the host country's government and the World Health Organization, covering the following items that are 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;

- (g) national currency at the best rate of exchange and in the amount needed to meet the Organization's expenses in the host country.
4. The Regional Director deems it expedient to draw the attention of the Member States to the need to give full consideration to these commitments.
 5. The Regional Committee decided to hold its Seventieth session in Lomé, Togo from 24 to 28 August 2020. The draft provisional agenda is attached herewith.



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Provisional agenda item 3

DRAFT 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 the provisional programme of work
4. Appointment of members of the Committee on Credentials
5. The Work of WHO in the African Region (2019-2020): Report of the Regional Director
6. Statement of the Chairperson of the Programme Subcommittee
7. Implementation of the Transformation Agenda of the WHO Secretariat in the African Region
8. Strengthening country presence to deliver universal health coverage in Africa
9. WHO Programme Budget 2020–2021
10. Report on Certification of Polio Eradication in the WHO African Region
11. Quality, equity and dignity in health services delivery in the WHO African Region: Bridging the quality gap to accelerate progress towards meeting the SDG targets for maternal, newborn and child health
12. Framework for the implementation of the Immunization Agenda 2030 in the WHO African Region
13. Framework for the implementation of the Defeating Meningitis Initiative by 2030 in the WHO African Region
14. Framework for an integrated multisectoral response to TB, HIV, STIs and hepatitis in the WHO African Region
15. Framework for the implementation of the Global Strategy towards the elimination of cervical cancer as a public health problem in the WHO African Region
16. Framework for the implementation of the Global Action Plan on Physical Activity 2018–2030 in the WHO African Region

17. Framework for implementing the Global Strategy on Digital Health in the WHO African Region
18. Framework for scaling up health innovations in the WHO African Region
19. Status of human organ and tissue donation and transplantation in the WHO African Region
20. Report on the state of health systems in the WHO African Region
21. **Matters of global concern related to World Health Assembly decisions and resolutions**
 - 21.1 Draft global patient safety action plan for Member States' consultation
22. **Information Documents**
 - 22.1 Progress report on the implementation of the Global strategy and plan of action on ageing and health 2016–2030
 - 22.2 Progress report on the implementation of the Regional strategy on enhancing the role of traditional medicines in health systems 2013–2023
 - 22.3 Progress in the implementation of the African Region Sickle-Cell Disease strategy 2010–2020
 - 22.4 Progress report on utilizing eHealth solutions to improve national health systems in the WHO African Region
 - 22.5 Progress report on the implementation of resolution AFR/RC62/R5 on the African Health Observatory
 - 22.6 Report on WHO Staff in the African Region
 - 22.7 Regional matters arising from reports of WHO internal and external audits
23. Draft provisional agenda, place and dates of the Seventy-first session of the Regional Committee
24. Adoption of the report of the Regional Committee
25. Closure of the Seventieth session of the Regional Committee.