



**REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR AFRICA**

**ORIGINAL: ENGLISH**

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Brazzaville, Republic of Congo, 19–23 August 2019

**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*

16:00–16:30    **Agenda item 2**            Election of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairpersons and the Rapporteurs

**Agenda item 3**            Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and Programme of Work (Document AFR/RC69/1)

**Agenda item 4**            Appointment of Members of the Committee on Credentials

16:30–17:30    **Agenda item 5**            The Work of WHO in the African Region 2018–2019: Report of the Regional Director (Document AFR/RC69/2)

17:30–18:00    **Tea break**

18:00–19:00    **Agenda Item 8**            Nomination of the Regional Director (*Note by the Legal Counsel*) (Documents AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/10 and AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/11)

- 19:00            **End of the day's session**    (*Meeting of the Committee on Credentials*)
- 19:30**            **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  
(*closed meeting*)
- 09:15–10:45    **Agenda item 8**                Nomination of the Regional Director  
(*Interview session – closed meeting*)  
**Immediately followed by**
- 10:45–12:15    **Agenda Item 8**                Nomination of the Regional Director  
(*Voting - closed meeting*)
- 12:15–12:45    **Agenda Item 8**                Nomination of the Regional Director  
(*Open meeting*)
- 12:45–14:30    **Lunch break**
- 13:00–14:15**    **Side event**                      ***Contributing to Universal Health Coverage: Lessons from country experiences***
- 14:30–16:30    **Special Briefing on the Ebola Outbreak**
- 16:30–17:45    **Agenda Item 7**                Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023  
Results Framework: An Update  
(Document AFR/RC69/4)
- 17:45            **End of the day's session**
- 17:45–19:15**    **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***
- 09:00–09:15 **Agenda Item 6**                Statement of the Chairperson of the Programme Subcommittee (Document AFR/RC69/3)
- 09:15–10:30    **Agenda item 10**                Regional Strategy for Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response: 2020–2030 (Document AFR/RC69/6)
- 10:30–11:00    **Tea Break**

<b>11:00–11:45</b>	<b>Agenda item 9</b>	Fourth Progress Report on the Implementation of the Transformation Agenda of the World Health Organization Secretariat in the African Region: 2015–2020 (Document AFR/RC69/5)
11:45–12:30	<b>Agenda item 11</b>	Strategic plan to reduce the double burden of malnutrition in the African Region (2019–2025) (Document AFR/RC69/7)
12:30–14:30	<b>Lunch break</b>	
<b>13:00–14:15</b>	<i>Side event</i>	<b><i>The African Continental TB Accountability Framework for Action: Enhancing leadership for Ending TB in Africa by 2030</i></b>
14:30–16:00	<b>Agenda item 12</b>	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)
<b>16:00</b>	<b>End of the day’s session</b>	
16:00–16:30	<b>Tea Break</b>	
16:30–18:00	<i>Side event</i>	<b><i>Time to deliver: Combating Sickle Cell Disease is a political choice</i></b>
 <b>DAY 4: Thursday, 22 August 2019</b>		
<b>07:20–08:45</b>	<i>Breakfast meeting</i>	<b><i>The New Global Digital Health Strategy: Member States Input Forum</i></b>
09:00–10:30	<b>Agenda item 13</b>	Framework for the implementation of the Global Vector Control Response in the WHO African Region (Document AFR/RC69/9)
10:30–11:00	<b>Tea Break</b>	
11:00–12:30	<b>Agenda item 14</b>	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	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>13:00–14:15</b>	<i>Side event</i>	<b><i>Immunization for all by 2030 – Success and challenges towards reaching every child</i></b>

14:30–16:00	<b>Agenda item 15</b>	<b>Information Documents</b>
	<b>Agenda Item 15.1</b>	Progress on the implementation of the Regional Strategy on Health Security and Emergencies (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/1)
	<b>Agenda Item 15.2</b>	Progress report on the implementation of the Regional Strategic Plan for Immunization 2014–2020 (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/2)
	<b>Agenda Item 15.3</b>	Progress report on the implementation of the Regional Strategy for cancer prevention and control (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/3)
	<b>Agenda Item 15.4</b>	Progress report on the implementation of the Regional Strategy on Neglected Tropical Diseases 2014–2020 (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/4)
	<b>Agenda Item 15.5</b>	The first United Nations General Assembly High-level Meeting on TB – Implications for the WHO African Region (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/5)
	<b>Agenda Item 15.6</b>	Progress report on the implementation of the Regional Framework for Public Health Adaptation to Climate Change (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/6)
	<b>Agenda Item 15.7</b>	Progress Report towards Certification of Polio Eradication and Endgame Strategy in the African Region (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/7)
	<b>Agenda Item 15.8</b>	Report on WHO Staff in the African Region (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/8)
	<b>Agenda Item 15.9</b>	Regional matters arising from reports of the WHO internal and external audits (Document AFR/RC69/INF.DOC/9)
16:00–16:30		<b>Tea break</b>
16:30–17:00	<b>Agenda item 16</b>	Draft provisional agenda, place and dates of the Seventieth session of the Regional Committee (Document AFR/RC69/11)
17:00	<b>End of the day’s session</b>	
<i>17:00–18:30</i>	<i>Side event</i>	<i>Improving Access to Assistive Technology in the African Region: Inclusiveness in Universal Health Coverage</i>

**Day 5: Friday, 23 August 2019**

10:00–12:00	<b>Agenda item 17</b>	Adoption of the report of the Regional Committee (Document AFR/RC69/12)
12:00–12:30	<b>Agenda item 18</b>	Closure of the Sixty-ninth session of the Regional Committee

12:30–14:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
<i>13:00–14:30</i>	<i>Side meeting</i>	<i>GAVI Anglophone constituency meeting</i>
<i>13:00–14:30</i>	<i>Side meeting</i>	<i>Improving the availability of TB products in Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cote d’Ivoire, Guinea, Mali, Niger and Senegal</i>
<i>14:30</i>	<i>Site visit in Brazzaville</i>	