

**REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE
EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN
Seventy-first session
Doha, Qatar, 14–17 October 2024**

**EM/RC71/1
31 July 2024**

Provisional Agenda

1. **Opening of the session**
 - (a) Election of Officers
 - (b) Adoption of the Agenda EM/RC71/1
2. **(a) Annual Report of the Regional Director 2023** EM/RC71/2
Progress reports on:
 - (b) Poliomyelitis eradication and polio transition EM/RC71/INF.DOC.1
 - (c) Strategic framework for blood safety and availability, 2016–2025 EM/RC71/INF.DOC.2
 - (d) Regional strategy to improve access to medicines and vaccines in the Eastern Mediterranean Region, 2020–2030, including lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic EM/RC71/INF.DOC.3
 - (e) Health issues facing populations affected by disasters and emergencies, including the International Health Regulations (2005) EM/RC71/INF.DOC.4
 - (f) Building resilient health systems to advance universal health coverage and ensure health security in the Eastern Mediterranean Region EM/RC71/INF.DOC.5
 - (g) Accelerating the prevention, control and elimination of communicable diseases through integration: optimizing support from Gavi and the Global Fund EM/RC71/INF.DOC.6
 - (h) Promoting health and well-being in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: moving from theory to action to achieve the health-related Sustainable Development Goals EM/RC71/INF.DOC.7
 - (i) Advancing the implementation of One Health in the Eastern Mediterranean Region EM/RC71/INF.DOC.8
 - (j) Regional strategy for fostering digital health in the Eastern Mediterranean Region, 2023–2027 EM/RC71/INF.DOC.9
 - (k) The work of the High-level Ministerial Group on the Control of Tobacco and Emerging Tobacco and Nicotine Products in the Eastern Mediterranean Region EM/RC71/INF.DOC.10

- (l) Strategy to promote the health and well-being of refugees, migrants, internally displaced populations and other displaced groups in the Eastern Mediterranean Region EM/RC71/INF.DOC.11
3. **Technical papers**
- (a) Addressing the increasing burden of trauma in humanitarian settings in the Eastern Mediterranean Region EM/RC71/3
- (b) Promoting collaborative action to accelerate the regional response to antimicrobial resistance in the Eastern Mediterranean Region EM/RC71/4
- (c) Regional action plan for mental health and psychosocial support in emergencies, including substance use, 2024–2030 EM/RC71/5
- (d) Enhancement and digitalization of health information systems in the countries of the Eastern Mediterranean Region: a regional strategy, 2024–2028 EM/RC71/6
4. **World Health Assembly and Executive Board**
- Programme and budget matters**
- (a) Investment Case 2025–2028 and latest on WHO Investment Round EM/RC71/7
- (b) WHO Fourteenth General Programme of Work 2025–2028 (GPW14): regional analysis EM/RC71/8
- Governance matters**
- (c) Resolutions and decisions of regional interest adopted by the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly and the Executive Board at its 154th and 155th sessions EM/RC71/9
- (d) Review of the draft provisional agenda of the 156th session of the WHO Executive Board EM/RC71/9-Annex 1
- (e) Membership of WHO bodies and committees EM/RC71/10
- (f) Update on implementation of the WHO Transformation Agenda in the Eastern Mediterranean Region EM/RC71/INF.DOC.12
- (g) Process for the nomination and appointment of Regional Directors EM/RC71/INF.DOC.13
- (h) Process of handling and investigating potential allegations against WHO Directors-General EM/RC71/INF.DOC.14

5. Reports of the nineteenth and twentieth meetings of the Programme Subcommittee of the Regional Committee EM/RC71/11
EM/RC71/12
6. Reports of the tenth and eleventh meetings of the Regional Subcommittee for Polio Eradication and Outbreaks EM/RC71/13
EM/RC71/14
7. Procedure for accreditation of regional non-State actors not in official relations with WHO to attend meetings of the WHO Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean EM/RC71/15
8. Application from the Russian Federation to attend the WHO Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean in an observer capacity EM/RC71/16
9. **Awards**
 - a) Award of the State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases, and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region EM/RC71/INF.DOC.15
 - b) Award of the Down Syndrome Research Prize EM/RC71/INF.DOC.16
10. Place and date of future sessions of the Regional Committee EM/RC71/INF.DOC.17
11. Other business
12. Closing session