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PROGRAMME OF WORK

(Time: GMT/UTC+0)

Sunday, 21 August 2022

07:30–10:30 *Walk-the-Talk*

DAY 1: Monday, 22 August 2022

09:00–11:20 **Agenda item 1** Opening of the meeting

11:20–12:00 *Group photograph followed by tea break*

12:00–12:30 **Agenda item 2** Adoption of the Special Procedures to regulate the conduct of the hybrid session of the Seventy-second Regional Committee for Africa and election of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairpersons and the Rapporteurs (Document [AFR/RC72/Decision 1](#))

Agenda item 3 Adoption of the Provisional Agenda and Programme of Work (Document [AFR/RC72/1](#) and Document [AFR/RC72/1 Add.1](#))

Agenda item 4 Appointment of Members of the Committee on Credentials

12:30–14:30 *Lunch break* (**Meeting of the Committee on Credentials**)

13:00–14:00 *Side event 1* *The contract-based approach to managing public health facilities in Togo – Event by the Government of Togo*

14:30–15:00 **Agenda item 5** Statement of the Chairperson of the Programme Subcommittee (Document [AFR/RC72/2](#))

15:00–16:30 **Agenda item 6** Annual report of the Regional Director on the work of WHO in the African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/3](#))

16:30–17:00 *Tea break*

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17:00–18:15 **Agenda item 14** Seventh progress report on the implementation of the Transformation Agenda of the WHO Secretariat in the African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/11](#))

18:15 **End of the day's session**

18:45 *Reception hosted by the Government of Togo and the WHO Regional Director for Africa*

DAY 2: Tuesday, 23 August 2022

08:45–09:00 **Agenda item 4 (contd)** Report of the Committee on Credentials

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09:00–10:30 **Agenda item 7** PEN-Plus – A regional strategy to address severe noncommunicable diseases at first-level referral health facilities (Document [AFR/RC72/4](#) and Document [AFR/RC72/R2](#))

10:30–11:00 *Tea break*

11:00–12:15 **Agenda item 8** Framework to strengthen the implementation of the comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2030 in the WHO African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/5](#))

12:15–14:15 *Lunch break*

12:45–13:45 *Side event 2* *Marshalling a regional campaign against sickle cell disease (SCD)*

14:15–15:45 **Special event** Building back better: Rethinking and rebuilding resilient health systems in Africa to achieve universal health coverage and health security

15:45–16:15 *Tea break*

16:15–17:45 **Special event (contd)** Building back better: Rethinking and rebuilding resilient health systems in Africa to achieve universal health coverage and health security

17:45 **End of the day's session**

18:15 *Side event 3* *Meeting of SIDS Ministers of Health*

18:15 **Side event 4** *Combating substandard and falsified medicines in Africa: a collaborative and integrative approach*

- *Event by the Government of Togo*

DAY 3: Wednesday, 24 August 2022

07:45-08:45 **Ad-hoc side event** *Polio WPV1 closed door session with Ministers of Health*

08:45–09:30 **Agenda item 8 (contd)** Framework to strengthen the implementation of the comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2030 in the WHO African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/5](#))

09:30–10:45 **Agenda item 12** Intergovernmental Negotiating Body: update and consultation on the Working Draft (Document [AFR/RC72/9](#))

10:45–11:00 **Tea Break**

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11:00–12:30 **Agenda item 11** Regional strategy for health security and emergencies 2022–2030 (Document [AFR/RC72/8](#) and Document [AFR/RC72/R3](#))

12:30–14:15 **Lunch break**

12:30–14:00 **Side event 5** *Towards political leadership to end childhood TB by 2030 – Event by the AU in collaboration with WHO and EGPAF*

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14:15–15:30 **Agenda item 9** Financial risk protection towards universal health coverage in the WHO African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/6](#))

15:30–16:00 **Tea Break**

16:00–18:00 **Special event** Responding with speed and quality - Addressing the ongoing threat of polio in the African Region

18:00 **End of the day's session**

18:30 **Side event 6** *Ensuring health security in Africa - Ministerial dinner to discuss WHO AFRO Emergency Preparedness and Response Flagship Programmes*

DAY 4: Thursday, 25 August 2022

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09:00–09:30 **Agenda item 9 (contd)** Financial risk protection towards universal health coverage in the WHO African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/6](#))

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09:30–11:00 **Agenda item 13** Updated regional strategy for the management of environmental determinants of human health in the African Region 2022–2032 (Document [AFR/RC72/10](#) and Document [AFR/RC72/R1](#))

11:00–11:15 *Tea Break*

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11:15–12:30 **Agenda item 10** Framework for the integrated control, elimination and eradication of tropical and vector-borne diseases in the African Region 2022–2030 (Document [AFR/RC72/7](#))

12:30–14:15 *Lunch break*

12:45–13:45 **Side event 7** *Building resilient health systems in Africa through improved leadership, management, and governance: The WHO AFRO Pathways to Leadership Programme for Member States*

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14:15–15:45 **Agenda item 15** Programme budget 2024–2025 and Extending the Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023 to 2025 (Document [AFR/RC72/12](#))

15:45–16:15 *Tea Break*

16:15–17:45 **Agenda item 17** **Information documents**

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Agenda item 17.1 Progress report on the Regional oral health strategy 2016–2025: addressing oral diseases as part of noncommunicable diseases (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/1](#))

Agenda item 17.2 Progress report on the African regional framework for the implementation of the Global strategy on human resources for health: Workforce 2030 (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/2](#))

- Agenda item 17.3** Progress report on the Global strategy on women's, children's and adolescents' health 2016–2030: implementation in the African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/3](#))
- Agenda item 17.4** Progress report on the Global strategy to accelerate tobacco control 2019–2025: implementation in the African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/4](#))
- Agenda item 17.5** Progress report on the Framework for the implementation of the global vector control response (GVCR) in the WHO African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/5](#))

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- Agenda item 17.6** Progress report on the implementation of the Regional strategy for integrated disease surveillance and response 2020-2030 (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/6](#))

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- Agenda item 17.7** Progress report on the implementation of the technical paper on reducing health inequities through intersectoral action on the social determinants of health in the African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/7](#))

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- Agenda item 17.8** Progress report on the African Health Observatory (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/8](#))
- Agenda item 17.9** Report on WHO staff in the African Region (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/9](#))
- Agenda item 17.10** Regional Matters arising from reports of the WHO internal and external audits (Document [AFR/RC72/INF.DOC/10](#))

17:45 **End of the day's session**

18:15 *Side event 8* *Ministerial conference dinner on artificial intelligence*

DAY 5: Friday, 26 August 2022

09:00–09:30 **Agenda item 16** Draft provisional agenda, place and dates of the Seventy-third session of the Regional Committee (Document [AFR/RC72/13](#))

09:30–09:45	Agenda item 18	Adoption of the report of the Regional Committee (Document AFR/RC72/14) ¹
09:45–10:15	Agenda item 19	Closure of the Seventy-second session of the Regional Committee
10:15–10:45	<i>Tea break</i>	
11:00–12:30	Side event 9	<i>Seventh Global Fund Replenishment Side Event with African Ministers of Health – Event by the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo</i>
12:30	Visit of Lomé.	

¹ Pending adoption of the Special Procedures to regulate the conduct of the hybrid session of the Seventy-second Regional Committee for Africa, which provide for the circulation of the draft final report for comment and consideration following closure of the session. If adopted as circulated, this item will not be further considered at this meeting.