

2018 ECOSOC Resolution

The 2018 ECOSOC resolution¹ highlighted the need for the Task Force to develop **partnerships² to achieve public health goals**. This included:

The provision of **technical and policy advice** to countries around multisectoral and multi-stakeholder action, including with the private sector.

Supporting countries improve their **regulatory and legal frameworks** for NCD prevention and control.

Supporting Member States on access to safe, effective, quality and affordable **essential medicines and vaccines** for all, including strong health and regulatory systems as well as good supply-chain management.

2014 resolution: endorses the Task Force's Terms of Reference

2015 resolution: encourages the Task Force to scale-up action in countries

2016 resolution: expands the work of the Task Force to the NCD-related SDGs

2017 resolution: calls for greater financing for the work of the Task Force

The resolution called on governments, the private sector as appropriate, and bilateral and multilateral donors, including the World Bank and regional development banks to explore financing for the prevention and control of NCDs and mobilizing **adequate, predictable and sustained resources** for the programmatic work of the Task Force.

The resolution also noted the ongoing discussions on **catalytic financing** for countries, including mechanisms such as a multi-donor trust fund.

Finally, the resolution encouraged members of the Task Force to continue to develop and implement their own policies on preventing **tobacco industry interference**.³

THE TASK FORCE STRATEGY, 2019-21 HAS FOUR PRIORITIES THAT RESPOND TO ECOSOC'S RESOLUTIONS



Provide context-specific technical assistance to supporting countries to deliver multisectoral action on the NCD-related SDG targets.



Mobilize resources to support the development of national responses to reach the NCD-related SDG targets.



Forge multi-stakeholder partnerships to achieve public health and NCD-related SDG targets.



Be an exemplar for UN reform in line with the UN Secretary-General's commitment to reposition the UN development system to deliver on the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.

THE TASK FORCE AND ITS MEMBERS NEED TO WORK INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY TO SCALE UP TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND FINANCING FOR MEMBER STATES

1. Economic and Social Council 2018 resolution on the Task Force.
<https://undocs.org/Home/Mobile?FinalSymbol=E%2FRES%2F2018%2F13&Language=E&DeviceType=Desktop&LangRequested=False>
2. Described in the 2018 resolution as governments, non-governmental organizations, relevant private sector entities, academic institutions and philanthropic foundations.
3. Taking into account the UN model policy on preventing tobacco industry interference.
[https://fctc.who.int/publications/m/item/model-policy-for-agencies-of-the-united-nations-system-on-preventing-tobacco-industry-interference-\(full-text\)](https://fctc.who.int/publications/m/item/model-policy-for-agencies-of-the-united-nations-system-on-preventing-tobacco-industry-interference-(full-text))