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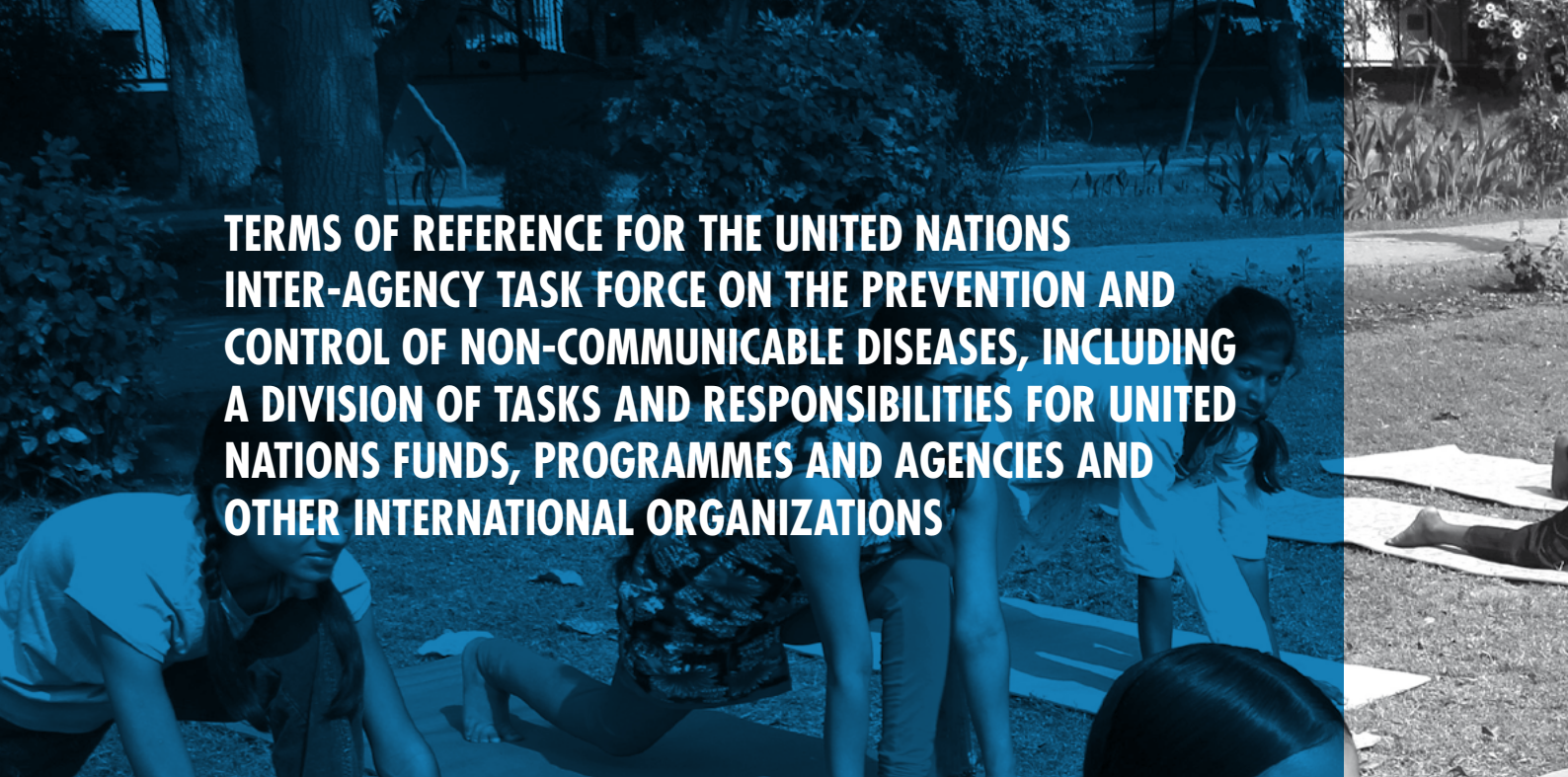
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TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE UNITED NATIONS INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE ON THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES, INCLUDING A DIVISION OF TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR UNITED NATIONS FUNDS, PROGRAMMES AND AGENCIES AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases (Task Force) and all its members affirm the right to health as a human right, as enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Constitution of the World Health Organization (WHO).

Actions of the Task Force and its members are to support, in accordance with their respective mandates, the realization of the commitments made in the political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, United Nations Social and Economic Council (Council) resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030.

Introduction

1. In paragraph 13 of the 2011 Political Declaration, Heads of State and Government and representatives of States and Governments recognized the leading role of WHO as the primary specialized agency for health, including its roles and functions with regard to health policy in accordance with its mandate, and reaffirmed its leadership and coordination role in promoting and monitoring global action against non-communicable diseases in relation to the work of other relevant United Nations agencies, development banks and other regional and international organizations in addressing non-communicable diseases in a coordinated manner.
2. In paragraph 51 of the 2011 Political Declaration, Heads of State and Government and representatives of States and Governments called upon WHO, as the lead specialized agency for health, and all other relevant United Nations system agencies, funds and programmes, the international financial institutions, development banks and other key international organizations to work together in a coordinated manner to support national efforts to prevent and control non-communicable diseases and mitigate their impacts.
3. In paragraph 1.1 of resolution 66.10, the World Health Assembly endorsed the WHO Global Action Plan 2013 -2020.^a The Plan aims to operationalize the commitments by Heads of State and Government included in the 2011 Political Declaration. The Global Action Plan comprises a set of actions which, when performed collectively by (a) Member States, (b) international partners and the private sector, and (c) the WHO secretariat, will support Governments in their national efforts to contribute to the attainment of nine voluntary global targets for non-communicable diseases by 2025.^b The building and coordinating of results-oriented engagement or collaborative efforts, as appropriate, including with non-health and non-State actors,^c at the national, regional and global levels, for the prevention and control of Non-communicable diseases are essential components of the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030.

^a Subsequently updated to 2013-2030.

^b Subsequently updated to 2013-2030.

^c Non-State actors include academia and relevant non-governmental organizations, as well as selected private sector entities, as appropriate, excluding the tobacco industry, and including those that are demonstrably committed to promoting public health and are willing to participate in public reporting and accountability frameworks.



4. In paragraph 3.5 of resolution 66.10, the World Health Assembly requested the WHO Director General to work together with other United Nations funds, programmes and agencies to conclude the work, before the end of October 2013, on a division of tasks and responsibilities for United Nations funds, programmes and agencies and other international organizations.
5. In paragraph 1 of Council resolution 2013/12 on the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases, the Council requested the Secretary-General to establish the Task Force by expanding the mandate of the existing Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control. The Task Force will be convened and led by WHO, report to the Council through the Secretary-General and incorporate the work of the Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control, including the work to support the accelerated implementation by parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control.
6. In paragraph 2 of Council resolution 2013/12, the Council decided that the Task Force would coordinate the activities of the relevant United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies and other intergovernmental organizations to support the realization of the commitments made by Heads of State and Government in the 2011 Political Declaration, in particular through the implementation of the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030.
7. In paragraph 3 of the same resolution, the Council urged all members of the existing Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control^d and other United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies, and intergovernmental organizations, to contribute, within their respective mandates, as appropriate, to the activities of the Task Force.
8. In paragraph 4 of that resolution, the Council requested the Secretary-General, in close collaboration with the WHO Director General, and in full consultation with Member States through WHO, to develop the terms of reference for the Task Force, incorporating, but not limited to, the work of the Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control and the current work of the WHO secretariat to develop a division of tasks and responsibilities, as exemplified by appendix 4 to the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and also requested the Secretary-General to include the terms of reference in his report on the implementation of the resolution for the consideration of the Council at its substantive session of 2014.
9. This appendix outlines the terms of reference for the Task Force, including a division of tasks and responsibilities for members of the Task Force.

^d World Health Organization, secretariat of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, International Atomic Energy Agency, International Civil Aviation Organization, International Labour Organization, International Monetary Fund, International Telecommunication Union, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, United Nations Children's Fund, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, United Nations Entity for Gender

Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, United Nations Environment Programme, United Nations Fund for International Partnerships, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, United Nations Population Fund, World Bank, World Customs Organization, World Intellectual Property Organization and World Trade Organization.



Terms of reference

10. The terms of reference outline the purpose of the Task Force, as well as its objectives, participants, responsibilities of participants, periodicity of general meetings, working groups, secretariat, administrative arrangements and accountability, and include a collaborative division of tasks and responsibilities for members of the Task Force.

Purpose of the Task Force

11. The purpose of the Task Force described in paragraph 2 of Council resolution 2013/12 of 22 July 2013 is to:

coordinate the activities of the relevant United Nations funds, programmes and specialized agencies and other intergovernmental organizations to support the realization of the commitments made by Heads of State and Government in the 2011 Political Declaration of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases, in particular through the implementation of the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030.^e

Objectives of the Task Force

12. Pursuant to Council resolution 2013/12, the objectives of the Task Force are as follows, taking into account the overall principles and approaches outlined in the political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030, and in support of a global coordination mechanism for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases:

- To enhance and coordinate systematic political and technical support to Member States, upon request, at the national and sub-national level, in efforts to support whole-of-government and whole-of-society responses to prevent and control non-communicable diseases and mental health conditions, mitigate their impacts,

and achieve the non-communicable disease-related sustainable development goals.

- To facilitate systematic and timely information exchange among entities of the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations about existing and planned strategies, programmes and activities to prevent and control non-communicable diseases and mental health conditions, mitigate their impacts, and achieve the non-communicable disease-related sustainable development goals, at the global, regional and national levels, including through the establishment of a virtual practice community for members of the Task Force, with updates regularly circulated to subscribers, and the preparation and regular updating of an inventory of United Nations system activities on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases.

- To facilitate information on available resources to support national efforts to prevent and control non-communicable diseases and mental health conditions, mitigate their impacts, and achieve the non-communicable disease-related sustainable development goals, and to undertake resource mobilization for the implementation of agreed activities, including for joint programmes in accordance with guidelines of the United Nations Development Group and through a non-communicable disease and mental health multi-partner trust fund.

- To strengthen advocacy in order to raise the priority accorded to the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases and mental health conditions, their impacts, and the non-communicable disease-related sustainable development goals, on the international development agenda, including the post-2015 development agenda, and sustain the interest of Heads of State and Government and high-level United Nations officials in realizing their commitments through statements, reports and participation in panels.

- To incorporate the work of the Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control, including by utilizing the matrix of work of the members of the Task Force on the implementation of the WHO Framework Convention and the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products, and to ensure that tobacco control continues

^e Extended in 2019 to 2030 to align with the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.



to be duly addressed and prioritized by the new Task Force.

- To strengthen international cooperation in support of national, regional and global plans to prevent and control non-communicable diseases and mental health conditions, mitigate their impacts, and achieve the non-communicable disease-related sustainable development goals, inter alia through supporting Member States develop and evaluate their plans, and through the exchange of best practices in the areas of governance, health economics, health promotion, legislation, regulation and health systems strengthening, training of health personnel, development of appropriate health-care infrastructure and diagnostics, and by promoting the development and dissemination of appropriate, affordable and sustainable transfer of technology on mutually agreed terms and the production of affordable, safe, effective and quality medicines and vaccines.

Members of the Task Force

13. Membership of the Task Force will be open to United Nations system agencies, funds and programmes, the international financial institutions, development banks and other key intergovernmental organizations and treaty secretariats. The potential members are included in a list that appears at the end of this document.^f

Responsibilities of the members of the Task Force

14. Within their respective mandates, as appropriate, the responsibilities of the members of the Task Force are to support, in a harmonized manner, the implementation and monitoring of relevant policy options and proposed actions for international partners included in political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030, as well as the objectives of the Task Force.

Periodicity of meetings of the Task Force

15. It is envisaged that WHO will convene the Task Force twice annually, which would include an annual session devoted to tobacco control and the implementation of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control and the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products. While the meetings will be led by WHO, it is proposed that each meeting be co-chaired by WHO together with another member of the Task Force through rotation. Efforts should be made to have different members host the meetings, including in low- and middle-income countries. Additional regional and ad hoc meetings could also be convened by WHO, as deemed necessary. Meetings will be held by default at the seats of the convening or partner institutions.
16. In accordance with the objective of the Task Force, strategies and workplans will be developed, which will be monitored and reviewed during the meetings of the Task Force.

Secretariat for the Task Force

17. The Task Force will be convened and led by WHO, which will provide the secretariat for the Task Force.
18. The main responsibilities of the secretariat for the Task Force will be to:

- Convene and lead meetings of the Task Force.
- Encourage, facilitate and where appropriate lead strategic collaborative arrangements and alliances among the members of the Task Force Member States and other development partners to enhance support to national-level efforts to realize the commitments made by Heads of State and Government in political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030.
- Create and manage a website for the Task Force and a virtual practice community for members of the Task Force.

^f The list of potential members that appears at the end of this document was prepared by the secretariat of the Task Force in December 2013 at the request of the formal meeting of Member States held in November 2013 and was submitted to the 134th session of the WHO Executive Board and the sixty-seventh World Health Assembly as part of the report of the formal meeting of Member States.



- Create and update an online inventory of commitments and activities of the members of the Task Force on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases, mental health conditions, and non-communicable disease-related sustainable development goals.
- Act as a point of enquiries and information regarding activities being undertaken by members of the Task Force as well as requests for political and technical support.
- Prepare summary reports of the meetings of the Task Force and publish these on the Task Force website, as well as other reports in achieving the objectives of the Task Force.
- Coordinate the preparation of reports to the Council through the Secretary-General and incorporate the work of the former Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control, including the work to support the accelerated implementation by parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control and the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products.
- Without prejudice to the accountability obligations of the Task Force, inform the Council and the World Health Assembly on a regular basis on the progress made by the Task Force in the implementation of the Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030, including evaluations of these plans.

Administrative arrangements for the secretariat for the Task Force

19. WHO programme budgets will include budgetary provisions for the activities of the secretariat for the Task Force.
20. Members of the Task Force should, in principle, be responsible for meeting their own expenses in relation to activities under the Task Force (including, but not limited to, travel and subsistence for attending meetings and inter-agency collaborations).

Accountability

21. In accordance with paragraph 1 of Council resolution 2013/12, the Task Force will report to the Council through the Secretary-General and incorporate the work of the Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control, including the work to support the accelerated implementation by parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control and the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products.

Conflicts of interest

22. Public health policies for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases and mental health conditions must be protected from undue influence by any form of vested interest.^g
23. In carrying out responsibilities under political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030, members of the Task Force are guided by their relevant conflict of interest policies.
24. Should a conflict of interest arise from a situation involving members of the Task Force or external parties, the secretariat for the Task Force will be required to act as a repository with a view to compiling incidents of conflicts of interest and provide a platform to discuss such issues.

Links with a global coordination mechanism for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases

25. In paragraph 3.2 of resolution 66.10, the World Health Assembly requested the WHO Director General to develop draft terms of reference for a global coordination mechanism for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases.
26. The Task Force, in accordance with its mandate provided by the Council, and within the respective mandates of its members, will contribute, as appropriate, to the work of a global coordination mechanism and participate accordingly.

^g In accordance with the overarching principles and approaches included in paragraph 18 of the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030.



Division of tasks and responsibilities

27. The division of tasks and responsibilities provides a baseline for how the members of the Task Force will work jointly and collectively to coordinate the activities of the relevant United Nations organizations and other intergovernmental organizations to support the realization of the commitments made by Heads of State and Government in political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030.
28. These tasks and responsibilities build on, and include, existing work being undertaken on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases and mental health conditions by members of the Task Force. The work areas identified by members of the Task Force are dynamic in nature and may reflect changes that may be necessitated by emerging health risks, shifts in disease burdens and new requirements identified by Member States.
29. The initial division of tasks and responsibilities is organized around the six objectives of the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030. Each objective has convening and partner institutions, acting in accordance with their respective mandates, as appropriate.
30. The responsibilities of convening institutions are as follows:
 - To determine a scope of work, develop a workplan and report progress against it, as it pertains to political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030.
 - To facilitate the identification of country-level needs and lead on setting the agenda across the United Nations system.
 - To ensure that work is in line with political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030, and to encourage the harmonization of activities across the United Nations system.
 - To safeguard public health interests from undue influence by any form of real, perceived or potential conflicts of interest.
 - To lead advocacy and communication on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases, mental health conditions and the non-communicable disease-related sustainable development goals across the United Nations system, in line with political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030.
 - To provide timely inputs to the secretariat for the Task Force to enable it to draft reports to the Council through the Secretary-General, including the work to support the accelerated implementation by parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control and the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products, and to report to the World Health Assembly on the implementation of political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030.
 - To report, as appropriate, on progress made in integrating relevant activities into the agendas of their respective governing bodies.



31. The responsibilities of partner institutions are as follows:

- To support the determination of a scope of work and development of a workplan and report progress against it, as it pertains to the objectives of political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030.
- To collaborate on activities that are in line with political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030, and to support the harmonization of activities across the United Nations system.
- To work with convening institutions to safeguard public health from undue influence by any form of real, perceived or potential conflicts of interest.
- To work with convening institutions to support advocacy and communication on non-communicable diseases, mental health conditions and the non-communicable disease-related sustainable development goals across the United Nations system, in line with the political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030.

- To support convening institutions in providing timely inputs to the secretariat for the Task Force to enable it to draft reports to the Council through the Secretary-General, including the work to support the accelerated implementation by parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, and the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products, and to report to the World Health Assembly on the implementation of political declarations of high-level meetings of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable Diseases, Council resolutions and decisions on the work of the Task Force, the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030, and the WHO comprehensive mental health action plan 2013-2030.
- To report, as appropriate, on activities of the Task Force to their respective governing bodies and/or relevant bodies.

32. An initial division of tasks and responsibilities is outlined in the table below. This table was developed by organizations in the United Nations system, taking into account discussions between December 2011 and July 2013,^h and builds on appendix 4 to the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030. The table was finalized during the first meeting of the Task Force, held in Geneva on 2 and 3 October 2013.

^h Summaries of Task Force meetings are available at <https://unitaf.who.int/governance/task-force-meetings>.



Division of tasks and responsibilities for the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases (as at 3 October 2013)

<i>Objective^a</i>	<i>Convening institution</i>	<i>Suggested areas of work</i>	<i>Linkages with actions for international partners^b</i>	<i>Partner institutions</i>
1. To raise the priority accorded to the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases (NCDs) in global, regional and national agendas and internationally agreed development goals, through strengthened international cooperation and advocacy	WHO	1.1 Advocacy for attention to/integration of NCDs in the international development agenda/goals	23 (a), (b), (c), (f)	IAEA UNAIDS UNDP UN-Habitat UNICEF UNSCN
		1.2 Multi-stakeholder partnership management and resource mobilization	23 (d), (e)	IAEA UNAIDS UNDP UN-Habitat WFP
		1.3 Mainstreaming of the prevention and control of NCDs in international development cooperation initiatives	23 (c)	FAO IAEA UNAIDS UNDP UNEP UNICEF UNSCN World Bank
2. To strengthen national capacity, leadership, governance, multisectoral action and partnerships to accelerate country response for the prevention and control of NCDs	UNDP WHO UNAIDS (for 2.3 only)	2.1 Multisectoral action planning and coordination	32 (a), (g)	UNAIDS
		2.2 Mainstreaming of the prevention and control of NCDs in national development plans/poverty reduction strategies	32 (d), (g)	FAO IAEA IARC UNAIDS UN-Habitat UNFPA UNHCR UNICEF UNSCN WFP World Bank
		2.3 Integrate NCDs and HIV responses where appropriate	32 (g) and 50 (b)	ILO UNFPA UNHCR World Bank



<i>Objective^a</i>	<i>Convening institution</i>	<i>Suggested areas of work</i>	<i>Linkages with actions for international partners^b</i>	<i>Partner institutions</i>
		2.4 Innovative financing for national NCD responses	50 (a) and 32 (g)	World Bank
		2.5 Supporting enabling legal and regulatory environments that promote favourable health outcomes for NCDs (including universal access to essential medicines and basic technologies)	32 (f) and (g)	IDLO UNFPA WIPO WTO ^c World Bank
		2.6 Addressing gender and human rights dimensions of NCD prevention and control in national NCD responses	32 (e) and (g)	IDLO UNFPA
3. To reduce modifiable risk factors for NCDs and underlying social determinants through creation of health-promoting environments	Secretariat of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control ^d FAO ILO ^e UNFPA ^f UNICEF WHO	3.1 Implementation of the WHO Framework Convention, taking into account the matrix summarizing the areas of collaboration included in para. 61 of document E/2012/70	45	Secretariat of the WHO Framework Convention UNCTAD UNDP World Bank
		3.2 National capacity development to implement the Global Strategy to Reduce the Harmful Use of Alcohol	45	UNDP UNICEF World Bank
		3.3 Implementation of the WHO Global Strategy on Diet, Physical Activity and Health	45	IAEA UNDP UNEP World Bank
		3.4 National capacity development to reduce the risk of NCDs among children/adolescents	45	FAO IAEA UNFPA UNICEF ^g WFP



<i>Objective^a</i>	<i>Convening institution</i>	<i>Suggested areas of work</i>	<i>Linkages with actions for international partners^b</i>	<i>Partner institutions</i>
		3.5 National capacity development to reduce the risk of NCDs among women and girls	32 (a), (e), (f), (g)	IAEA UNDP UNICEF UNFPA ^g UNHC WFP
		3.6 NCD prevention and care integrated into maternal health	32 (a), (e), (f), (g)	IAEA UNAIDS UNFPA ^g UNICEF UNHCR WFP
		3.7 Health promotion in environment and energy policies	32 (a), (e), (g)	UNDP UNEP World Bank
		3.8 Health promotion in the education sector	32 (a), (e), (g)	ILO UNEP UNICEF ^g World Bank
		3.9 Health promotion in the labour sector, including occupational safety and health	32 (a), (e), (g)	ILO UNEP
		3.10 Health/nutrition promotion in the agricultural sector and in food systems	32 (a), (e)	ILO UNEP UNSCN
4. To strengthen and orient health systems to address the prevention and control of NCDs and the underlying social determinants through people-centred primary health care and universal health coverage	WHO IAEA (for 4.4 only)	4.1 Health system strengthening to address NCDs	50 (b), (d)	ITU UNAIDS UNDP UNFPA UNHCR UNICEF World Bank



<i>Objective^a</i>	<i>Convening institution</i>	<i>Suggested areas of work</i>	<i>Linkages with actions for international partners^b</i>	<i>Partner institutions</i>
		4.2 Resource mobilization for financing of universal health coverage that incorporates NCD prevention and care	50 (a)	UNAIDS UNDP UNFPA UNICEF World Bank
		4.3 Promote the development of electronic communications technologies and the use of mobile devices	50 (c)	IAEA UNICEF
		4.4 Support increased access to radiation medicine	50 (c)	IAEA
5. To promote and support national capacity for high-quality research and development for the prevention and control of NCDs	WHO	5.1 Promote an international research agenda that ensures the next generation of medicines and technologies for NCDs	55	IAEA IARC UNDP
		5.2 Support national efforts to increase access to existing essential medicines and basic technologies to treat NCDs	55	IAEA ITU UNAIDS UNCTAD UNDP UNHCR UNFPA WIPO WTO ^c
6. To monitor the trends and determinants of NCDs and evaluate progress in their prevention and control	WHO	6.1 National NCD monitoring and surveillance systems	61	IARC UN-Habitat UNICEF World Bank
		6.2 Regular reporting against global voluntary targets	61	UN-Habitat



Note:

The United Nations Office on Sport for Development and Peace will assess opportunities to contribute as a convening or partner institution in a number of areas in the table, for example through the establishment of a “Sport and health” thematic working group in the context of the Sport for Development and Peace International Working Group.

Abbreviations:

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^a The six objectives in this table are the six objectives included in the WHO Global action plan for the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases 2013-2030. These objectives are linked to the nine voluntary global targets, as referenced in appendix 3 to the Global action plan.

^b Included in the WHO Global Action Plan 2013 -2030.

^c In carrying out this task, WTO will provide technical and factual information regarding relevant WTO agreements in order to support, upon request, relevant ministries and government departments to address the interface between trade policies and health issues in the area of non-communicable diseases.

^d As pertains to area of work 3.1.

^e As pertains to area of work 3.9.

^f As pertains to areas of work 3.5 and 3.6.

^g Will facilitate this area of work.



Potential members of the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases

Relevant programmes and funds reporting directly to the General Assembly:

- International Trade Centre
- Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
- United Nations Children's Fund
- United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
- United Nations Development Programme
- United Nations Capital Development Fund
- United Nations Volunteers programme
- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
- United Nations Environment Programme
- United Nations Human Settlements Programme
- United Nations Population Fund
- United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
- World Food Programme

Other relevant United Nations entities reporting directly to the General Assembly:

- Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
- United Nations Office for Project Services
- United Nations System Staff College
- United Nations University

- United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Regional commissions reporting directly to the Economic and Social Council:

- Economic Commission for Africa
- Economic Commission for Europe
- Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
- Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
- Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

Other related relevant bodies reporting directly to the Economic and Social Council:

- International Narcotics Control Board
- United Nations System Standing Committee on Nutrition

Relevant specialized agencies, related organizations, funds and other United Nations entities:

- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- International Civil Aviation Organization
- International Fund for Agricultural Development
- International Labour Organization
- International Maritime Organization
- International Monetary Fund
- International Telecommunication Union
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- United Nations Industrial Development Organization



- Standing Committee on Nutrition (a subsidiary body of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination)
- Universal Postal Union
- World Bank Group
- World Health Organization, including the International Agency for Research on Cancer
- World Intellectual Property Organization
- World Meteorological Organization
- World Tourism Organization

Relevant related organizations:

- International Atomic Energy Agency
- World Trade Organization

Relevant secretariats of conventions:

- Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control

United Nations trust funds:

- United Nations Fund for International Partnershipsⁱ
- United Nations Road Safety Fund

Relevant intergovernmental organizations having received a standing invitation to participate as observers in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly:

- International Criminal Police Organization
- International Development Law Organization
- International Organization for Migration
- Organization of Islamic Cooperation
- Common Fund for Commodities
- World Customs Organization
- Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

Other relevant entities having received a standing invitation to participate as observers in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly:ⁱ

- International Committee of the Red Cross
- International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
- International Olympic Committee
- Inter-Parliamentary Union

ⁱ See <https://documents.un.org/doc/undoc/gen/n24/029/18/pdf/n2402918.pdf> for a list of non-member States, entities and organizations having received a standing invitation to participate as observers in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in 2024.



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