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## UNITED NATIONS HIGH-LEVEL MEETING ON THE FIGHT TO END TUBERCULOSIS

22 SEPTEMBER 2023, UNHQ, NEW YORK



WHEN: 22 SEPTEMBER 2023

WHERE: UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, NEW YORK

CO-FACILITATORS: POLAND AND UZBEKISTAN The United Nations General Assembly will hold the second high-level meeting on the fight against tuberculosis on 22 September 2023.

The theme of the meeting is: "Advancing science, finance and innovation, and their benefits, to urgently end the global tuberculosis epidemic, in particular, by ensuring equitable access to prevention, testing, treatment and care."

## **ORGANIZATION OF THE MEETING**

The UN High-Level Meeting on TB will be organized under the direction of the UN General Assembly. WHO is working closely with the office of the President of the General Assembly, the Co-facilitators, Member States and partners including civil society in making preparations for the UN high-level meeting.

The main objective of the meeting is to implement a comprehensive review of progress in the context of the achievement of targets set in the 2018 political declaration, and in the Sustainable Development Goals.

In preparation for the high-level meeting, Member States have requested forthe Secretary- General, with support of the World Health Organization, to develop a "comprehensive and analytical report on progress achieved and challenges remaining in realizing tuberculosis goals within the context of achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, includina on the progress implementation political of the 2018 declaration."

## INTERACTIVE MULTISTAKEHOLDER HEARING

The Multi-stakeholder Hearings on Tuberculosis / Universal Health Care (UHC) / Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response were held on 8-9 May at the United Nations in New York. The Hearings provided an opportunity for all relevant stakeholders to contribute to the ongoing preparatory process for the High-Level Meetings, with a focus on the current state of efforts and top needs to accelerate the response.

## COORDINATION ACROSS THREE UN HIGH-LEVEL MEETINGS

Based on a request from Member States to WHO's Director General at the Executive Board, WHO is working with the office of the President of the General Assembly to coordinate across the high-level meetings of the United Nations General Assembly on universal health coverage, tuberculosis and pandemic prevention, preparedness and response. This includes creating procedural synergy in the intergovernmental processes of the three meetings.

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