



Preparations for EB154 & PBAC39

Member State Information Session

11 December 2023

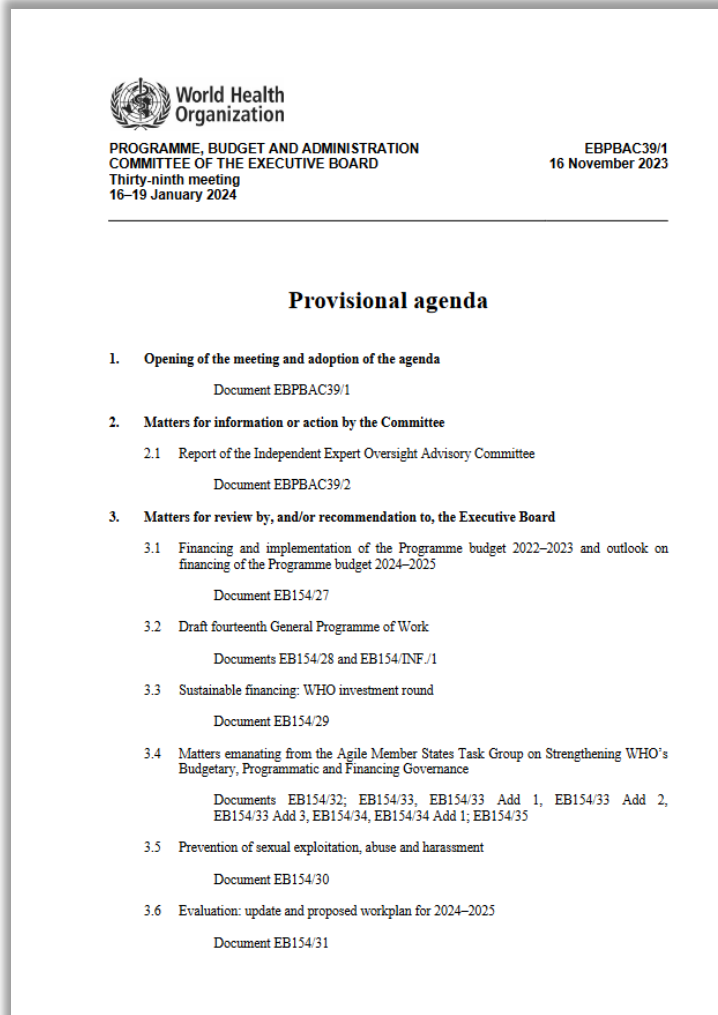
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Agenda

Preparations for upcoming governing body meetings:

1. PBAC39
2. EB154

PBAC39: Overview



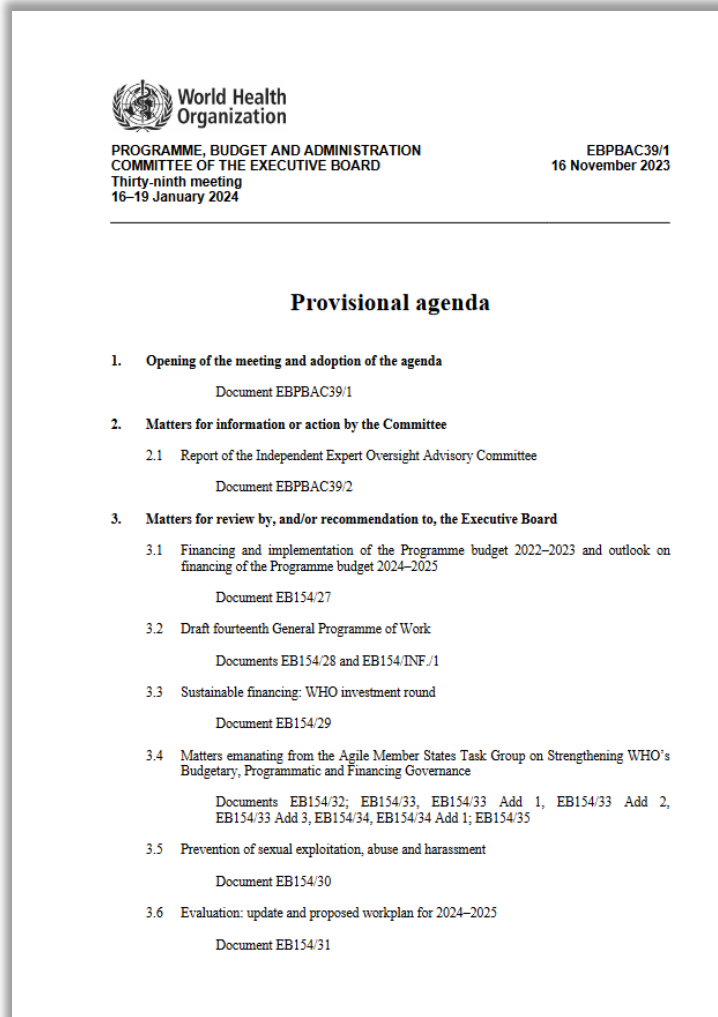
Dates: 16-19 January 2024

Working hours: 09:30-12:30 and 14:30-17:30 CET

Agenda:

- 17 items and sub-items
- One specific PBAC item on the report of the IEOAC
- Remaining items are matters for review and/or recommendation to EB154
- Proposed order of items to be shared soon
- Day 1 includes a deep dive on GPW14

PBAC39: Overview



Deep dive on 16 January 2024

Topic: Agenda item 3.2. Draft fourteenth General Programme of Work

Objective: PBAC to provide guidance and oversight on the GPW14, focusing on programmatic aspects, the Results Framework and indicative Financing envelope, considering the Investment Round

Justification:

- **SIP actions 28 and 29** provide for (inter alia): extraordinary/additional PBAC sessions and longer meetings or “thematic/selected topic” sessions

Next steps: Draft concept note to be shared with PBAC members and all Member States; informal meeting of PBAC members on 10 January 2024

PBAC39: Discussions and proposed order of items

It is proposed that the agenda items /sub-items be taken be considered **in the order outlined below – 14 discussions; ❖ = 1 discussion)**

❖ **1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**

3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board

❖ 3.2 Draft fourteenth General Programme of Work (*including deep dive*)

❖ 3.1 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget 2022–2023 and outlook on financing of the Programme budget 2024–2025

❖ 3.3 Sustainable financing: WHO investment round **D**



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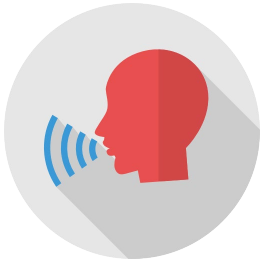
2. Matters for information or action by the committee

❖ 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee (It is proposed that discussions under this sub-item focus on matters that do not appear elsewhere on the agenda)

3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board (continued)

❖ 3.4 Matters emanating from the Agile Member States Task Group on Strengthening WHO's Budgetary, Programmatic and Financing Governance – *outcomes of consultations by co-facilitators of the former Task Group* **D D**

❖ 3.4 Matters emanating from the Agile Member States Task Group on Strengthening WHO's Budgetary, Programmatic and Financing Governance – *Secretariat implementation of reforms* **D**



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3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board (Continued)

❖ 3.5 Prevention of sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment

❖ 3.8 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations

❖ 3.9 Report of the Ombudsperson

❖ *The following three sub-items to be taken together*

3.10 Human resources

3.11 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

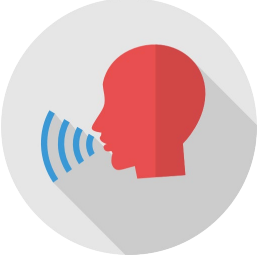
3.12 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules **R R R**



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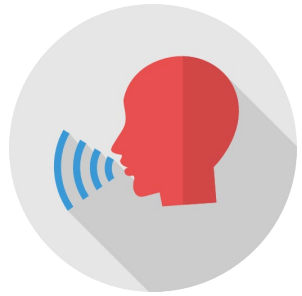
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3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board (Continued)

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- ❖ Item 3.6 Evaluation: update and proposed workplan for 2024–2025 **D**
 - ❖ Item 3.7 Engagement with non-State actors
 - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors
 - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO **D**
 - ❖ **Item 4 Adoption of the report and closure of the meeting**

Verbal Statements at PBAC39

The following speaking times are proposed:



- PBAC members: **3 minutes**
- Member States not represented on the PBAC and Associate Members: **2 minutes**
- Group statements: **4 minutes**

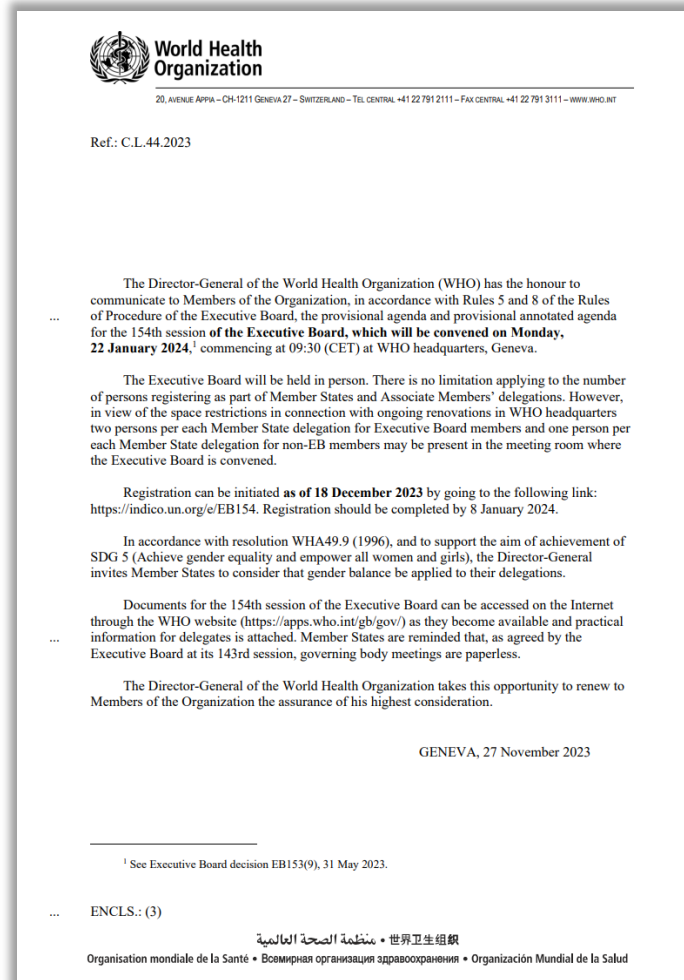
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PBAC39 Registration



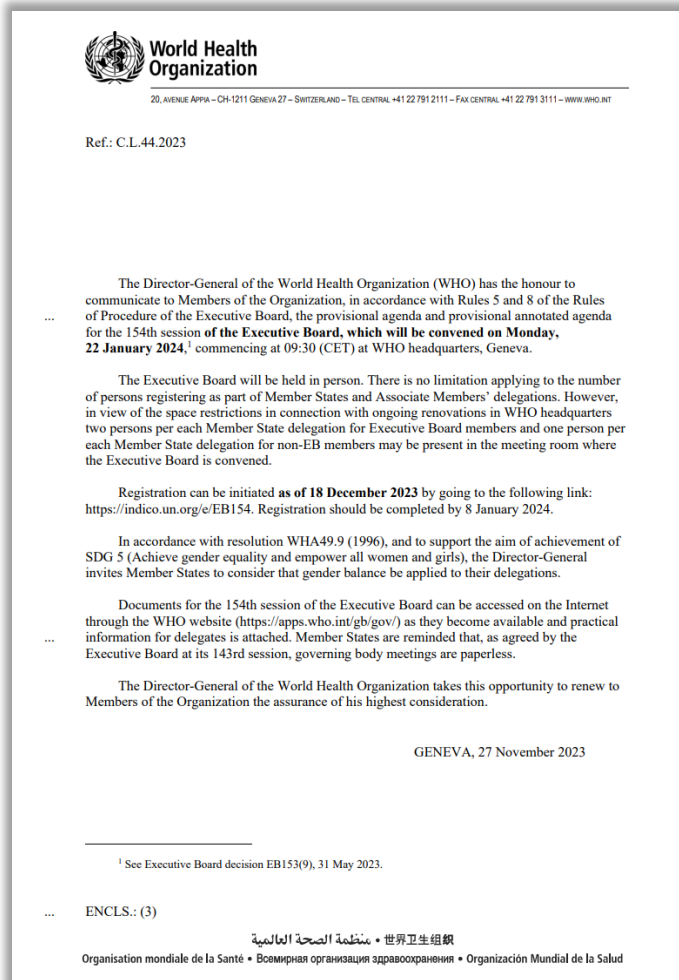
- Registration can be initiated as of 18 December 2023 by going to the following link: <https://indico.un.org/e/PBAC39>
- Each participant is invited to register her/himself. There is no single focal point for registrations.
- **Composition of delegations:**
 - Two persons for PBAC Member delegation may be present at a time in the meeting room.
 - One person for non-PBAC Member delegations may be present at a time in the meeting room.

EB154: Overview as per C.L.44.23



- C.L.44.23 on EB154 was sent out on Monday 4 December
- Dates: 22-27 January 2024
- Working hours (CET):
 - Monday 22 Jan: 09:30-12:30 and 14:30-17:30
- Briefing on INB and WGIHR from 13:00-14:00
 - Tuesday 23 Jan onwards: 10:00-13:00 and 14:30-17:30

EB154: Overview as per C.L.44.23



- Registration for EB154 can be initiated as of 18 December 2023 by going to the following link: <https://indico.un.org/e/EB154>; registration should be completed by 8 January
- EB154 will be held in person.
- No limit on the number registering as part of Member State delegations
- Two people per EB MS delegation and one person per non-EB MS delegation may be present in the meeting room
- Review the C.L.44.23 for full details (registration, credentials, access to WHO, visas, etc.)

EB154: Overview

The provisional agenda for EB154 and all other meeting documents are on the WHO [website](#) as they become available in the six official UN languages. The provisional agenda also contains hyperlinks to the meeting documents.

There are 45 items and sub-items on the agenda, which is organized as follows:

- **Opening** of the session and adoption of the agenda
- **Report by the Director-General** (oral report)
- Report of the **regional committees** to the Executive Board
- Report of the **Programme, Budget and Administration Committee**
- Report of the **Standing Committee** on Health Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response
- Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from **universal health coverage**
- Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from **health emergencies**
- Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying **better health and well-being**
- Pillar 4: More **effective and efficient WHO** providing better support to countries
- Closure of session

EB154: Overview

The preliminary daily timetable is contained in document [EB154/DIV./2](#). The session is scheduled over a 6-day period, including Saturday 27 January. Some items are to be discussed at **fixed times**:



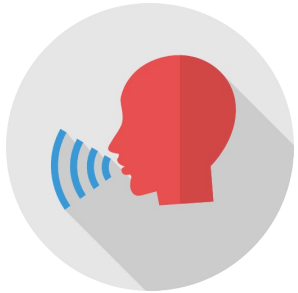
- **Monday 22 January at 09:30**
 - **Item 1** Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda
 - **Item 2** Report by the DG
 - **Item 3** Report of the regional committees to the EB
 - **Item 6** UHC

- **Monday 22 January at 14:30,**
 - **Item 4** Report of the PBAC
 - **Sub-item 24.2** Draft fourteenth GPW
 - **Sub-item 24.1** Financing and implementation of the PB 2022–2023 and outlook on financing of the PB 2024–2025
 - **Sub-item 24.3** Sustainable financing: WHO investment round

- **Tuesday, 23 January at 10:00**
 - **Sub-items 28.1, 28.2, 28.3** appointment of Regional Directors for EMR, SEAR, WPR (private meeting followed by public meeting)

Discussions at EB154

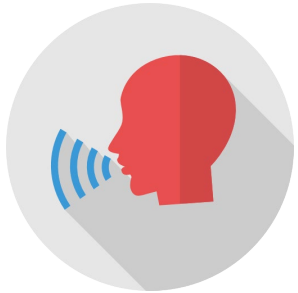
Pillar 1: One billion more people benefiting from universal health coverage; 8 discussions; ❖ = 1 discussion



- ❖ **Item 6** UHC **D D**
- ❖ **Item 7** Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of NCDs **D D**
- ❖ **Item 8** Draft global action plan on IPC
- ❖ **Item 9** Immunization Agenda 2030
- ❖ **Item 10** End TB Strategy
- ❖ **Item 11** Road map for NTDs 2021–2030
- ❖ **Item 12** Acceleration towards SDG targets for maternal health and Child Mortality **D**
- ❖ **Item 13** AMR: accelerating national and global responses **D**

Discussions at EB154

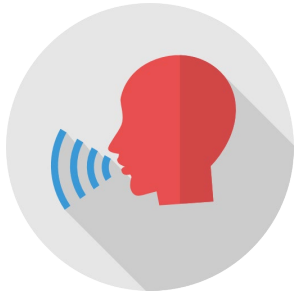
Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies; 6 discussions; ❖ = 1 discussion



- ❖ **Item 5** Report of the Standing Committee on Health Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response
- ❖ **Item 14** WHO's work in health emergencies **D D D**
- ❖ **Item 15** Implementation of resolution WHA75.11 (2022)
- ❖ **Item 16** Global Health and Peace Initiative
- ❖ **Item 17** Poliomyelitis
 - Poliomyelitis eradication
 - Polio transition planning and polio post-certification
- ❖ **Item 18** Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks

Discussions at EB154

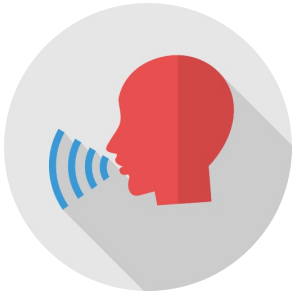
Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being; 5 discussions; ❖ = 1 discussion



- ❖ **Item 19** Social determinants of health
- ❖ **Item 20** Maternal, infant and young child nutrition
- ❖ **Item 21** Well-being and health promotion **D**
- ❖ **Item 22** Climate change, pollution and health
 - The impact of chemicals, waste and pollution on human health
 - Climate change and health **D**
- ❖ **Item 23** Economics and health for all **D**

Discussions at EB154

Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries; 19 discussions noting that Member States will be invited to focus discussion on the PBAC report and recommendations of the PBAC); ❖ = 1 discussion



- ❖ **Item 4.** Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board

- ❖ **Item 24.** Budget and finance matters

- ❖ **Item 24.1** Financing and implementation of the Programme budget 2022–2023 and outlook on financing of the Programme budget 2024–2025

- ❖ **Item 24.2** Draft fourteenth General Programme of Work

- ❖ **Item 24.3** Sustainable financing: WHO investment round **D**

Discussions at EB154

Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries; 19 discussions noting that Member States will be invited to focus discussion on the PBAC report and recommendations of the PBAC); ♦ = 1 discussion

Item 25. Management and governance matters

♦ **Item 25.1** Prevention of sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment

♦ **Item 25.2** Evaluation: update and proposed workplan for 2024–2025 **D**

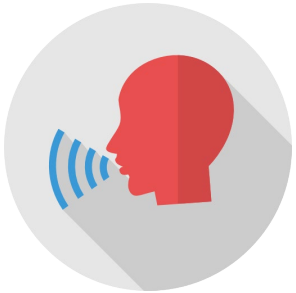
♦ **Item 25.3** Matters emanating from the Agile Member States Task Group on Strengthening WHO's Budgetary, Programmatic and Financing Governance **D D D**

♦ **Item 25.4** Engagement with non-State actors

- Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors

• Non-State actors in official relations with WHO **D**

♦ **Item 25.5** Nomination and appointment of Regional Directors



Discussions at EB154

Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries; 19 discussions noting that Member States will be invited to focus discussion on the PBAC report and recommendations of the PBAC); ♦ = 1 discussion

♦ **Item 26.** Provisional agenda of the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly and date and place of the 155th session of the Executive Board

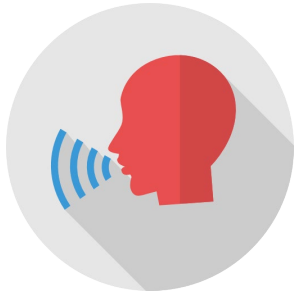
♦ ***The following item and two sub-items will be taken together (27, 27.1 and 27.2):***

Item 27. Committees of the Executive Board

Item 27.1 Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee: membership renewal

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Item 27.2 Foundation committees and selection panels



Discussions at EB154

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Item 28 Staffing matters

♦ **The following two sub-items will be taken together:
(28.4 and 28.5):**

Item 28.4 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations

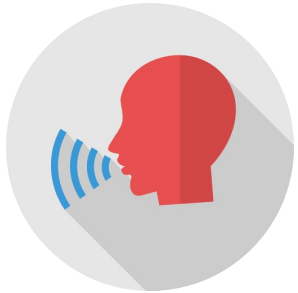
Item 28.5 Report of the Ombudsperson

♦ **The following three sub-items will be taken together:
(28.6, 28.7 and 28.8):**

Item 28.6. Human resources: update

Item 28.7 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules **R R R**

Item 28.8 Report of the International Civil Service Commission



Discussions at EB154

Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries; 19 discussions noting that Member States will be invited to focus discussion on the PBAC report and recommendations of the PBAC); ♦ = 1 discussion

Item 28. Staffing matters

♦ *Private meeting*

Item 28.1 Appointment of the Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean

Item 28.2 Appointment of the Regional Director for South-East Asia

Item 28.3 Appointment of the Regional Director for the Western Pacific

Items taken up together; one presentation and three votes at the same time

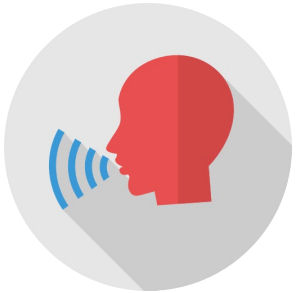
Public meeting

♦ **Item 28.1** Appointment of the Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean (continued) **R**

♦ **Item 28.3** Appointment of the Regional Director for South-East Asia (continued) **R**

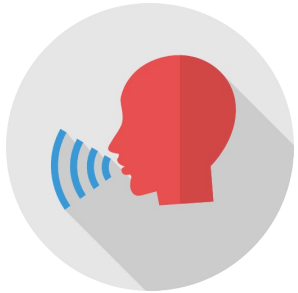
♦ **Item 28.4** Appointment of the Regional Director for the Western Pacific (continued) **R**

Regional statements only are strongly encouraged in line with previous practice.



Discussions at EB154

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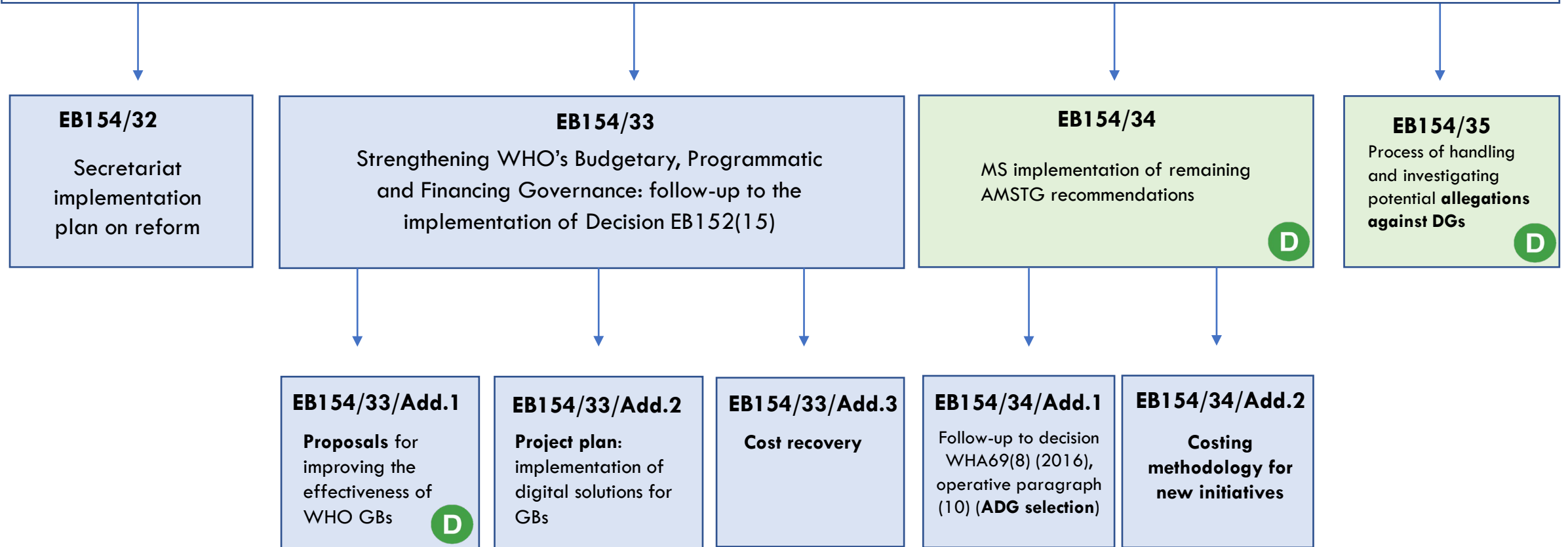


♦ **Item 29.** Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups


- Expert advisory panels and committees and their membership

Item 30. Closure of the session

Focus on Item 25.3: Matters emanating from the AMSTG



 Report prepared by Secretariat

 Report prepared by former AMSTG Co-Facilitators

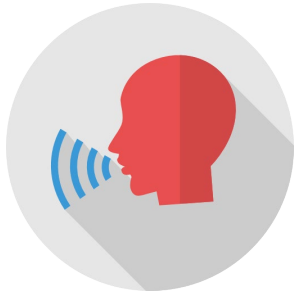
 Report to contain a draft decision

Verbal Statements at EB154

The following speaking times are proposed:

- Executive Board members: **3 minutes**
- Member States not represented on the Board: **2 minutes**
- Group statements: **4 minutes**
- Observers, United Nations and other IGOs, NSAs: **1 minute**

(In line with past practice)



Written Statements at EB154



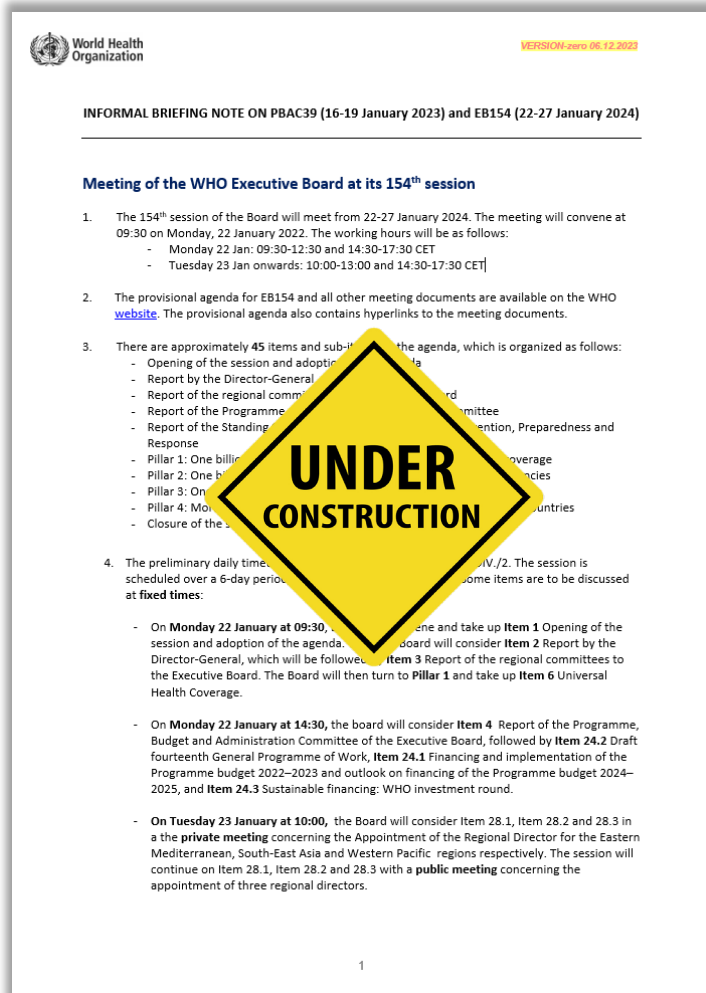
- Last year, EB members discussed several options to improve efficiency at EB meetings which were implemented for EB152 and which will continue at EB154;
- includes the possibility of engaging non-EB Member States more meaningfully in the debates and having guiding questions as part of the Secretariat's reports → focus the debate on expected outcomes
- While acknowledging [EB149\(3\)](#) that continues to apply, it is proposed for written statements to be posted up to 7 days before the start of the session, i.e. from 15 January 2024

Written Statements at EB154



- Registered Member States are further invited to focus their **written statements on their national context** and **oral statements on the guiding questions** (contained in Secretariat reports and will be projected onscreen)
- This will give the Members of the Executive Board a chance to review information submitted in writing prior to the relevant debate and to refer to it, if they so wish, in their interventions
- Expected outcome: More dynamic, meaningful and robust discussion of the pertinent issues at EB154; contribute to more efficient agenda management
- Written statements should be sent to statements@who.int and will be available as of 15 January on the WHO website:
<https://apps.who.int/gb/statements/eb154/>

Informal Briefing Note – Preview

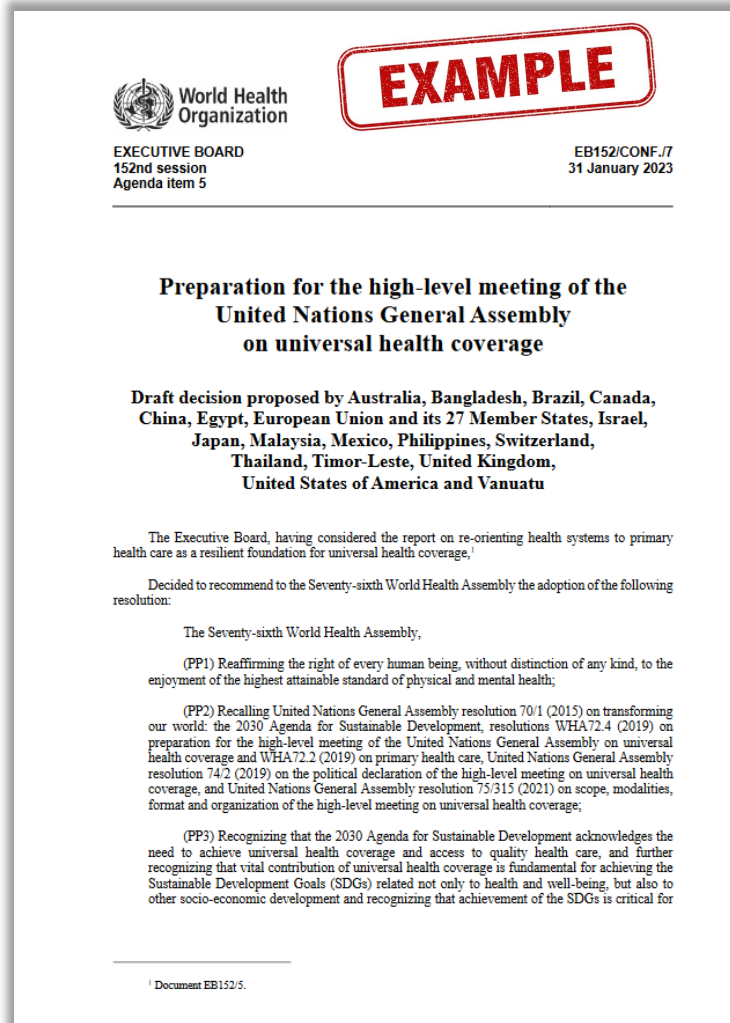


- First draft will be shared this week; final draft in early January.
- Table at the end of the informal briefing note will contain a table; each item listed by item number, title, summary of the item, and action by the Executive Board
- Relevant reports will be linked
- A summary of the action by the EB will be included
- Expected resolutions will be indicated by **R**
- Expected decisions will be indicated by **D**

12 expected decisions/resolutions (proposed by Member States)


Expected Agenda Item	Decision/resolution topic or title	Member State lead(s)
Item 6. Universal health coverage	Development of a global strategy and action plan for integrated emergency, critical and operative care, 2026-2035	Ethiopia
	Institutionalizing social participation for health and well-being	Slovenia, Thailand
Item 7. Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of NCDs	Increasing sufficiency, ethical access and oversight of human cells, tissues, organs	Spain
	Strengthening mental health and psychosocial support before, during and after armed conflicts, natural disasters and health and other emergencies	Ukraine, Netherlands
Item 12. Acceleration towards the Sustainable Development Goal targets for maternal health and child mortality	Acceleration towards SDG targets for maternal mortality (3.1) and child mortality (3.2)	Somalia
Item 13. Antimicrobial resistance: accelerating national and global responses	Antimicrobial Resistance	Thailand
Item 14. WHO's work in health emergencies	Strengthening biosafety and laboratory biosecurity	Slovakia
	Strengthening health emergency preparedness for disasters resulting from natural hazards	Croatia, Fiji, Mozambique
	Universal health and preparedness review	Portugal
Item 21. Well-being and health promotion	Strengthening health and well-being through sport events	Qatar
Item 22. Climate change, pollution and health	Climate change and health	Netherlands, Peru
Item 23. Economics and health for all	Economics of health for all	Finland

Co-Sponsorship of Decisions/Resolutions



- Proposed decisions/resolutions are prepared as conference papers
- Conference papers include co-sponsors on the document
- The most efficient way to confirm co-sponsorship is for the Member States who submit draft resolutions include a list of co-sponsors and then copy all co-sponsors on their email to governanceunit@who.int when making their submission – **by 12 January 2024**
- It is also possible to confirm cosponsorship by emailing cosponsorship@who.int
- Once decision/resolution text is submitted, the text goes into production (editing for WHO house style, translation, posting online) after which time co-sponsorship can be announced from the floor when the item is discussed
- Conference papers are temporary documents; co-sponsoring from the floor during the discussion will be noted in the permanent records

Decisions/Resolutions



World Health Organization

EXECUTIVE BOARD
152nd session
Agenda item 5

EB152/CONF./7
31 January 2023

EXAMPLE

**Preparation for the high-level meeting of the
United Nations General Assembly
on universal health coverage**

Draft decision proposed by Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada,
China, Egypt, European Union and its 27 Member States, Israel,
Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Philippines, Switzerland,
Thailand, Timor-Leste, United Kingdom,
United States of America and Vanuatu

The Executive Board, having considered the report on re-orienting health systems to primary health care as a resilient foundation for universal health coverage,¹

recommended to recommend to the Seventy-sixth World Health Assembly the adoption of the following resolution:

The Seventy-sixth World Health Assembly,

(PP1) Reaffirming the right of every human being, without distinction of any kind, to the

- These are often drafted as **EB decisions** to recommend **resolutions** for adoption at **WHA**

Governance

Informal list of intergovernmental meetings (provisional)

DECEMBER 2023

Date/Time	Location	Meeting/intergovernmental process
1 December	8:30-11:30	Zoom / Auditorium Z3/4 INB drafting subgroup meeting on Article 12
	12:00-15:00	Zoom / Auditorium Z3/4 Member State consultation on MS-led governance reform (follow-up to AMSTG)
	15:30-17:30	Virtual Member State consultation on draft resolution on Antimicrobial Resistance (organized by Thailand)
4-6 December	9:00-12:00/13:30-16:30/17:00-19:30	Hybrid Resumed meeting of the INB7
7 December	9:30-13:00/14:00-17:30/18:00-20:00	Hybrid Sixth Meeting of the WGIHR
8 December	9:30-13:00/14:00-17:30	Hybrid Sixth Meeting of the WGIHR
11 December	8:00-10:00	Virtual Member State consultation on draft resolution on Promoting Health through Sports Events (organized by the State of Qatar)
	10:00-12:00	Hybrid Information session on preparations for PBAC39 and EB154
	12:15-14:15	Virtual Informal consultation on strengthening emergency preparedness for disasters resulting from natural hazards (organized by Croatia, Fiji and Mozambique)
	14:30-16:00	Virtual Member State Information Session on the outcomes of the operational planning
	16:30-18:30	Virtual Member state consultation on draft resolution on Strengthening laboratory biosafety and biosecurity (organized by Slovakia)
12 December	17:30-19:30	Virtual Member State Consultation on a draft resolution on the Universal Health and Preparedness Review (organized by Portugal on behalf of a core group)
15 December	8:00-10:00	Virtual Member State consultation on draft resolution on Economics of Health for All (organized by Finland)
	10:15-12:15	Virtual Member State consultation on draft resolution on mental health and psychosocial support in emergencies (organized by Ukraine and the Kingdom of the Netherlands)
	12:30-14:00	Virtual Member State Information Session on Health Emergencies Update
19 December	9:00-16:30	Virtual Universal Health and Preparedness Review (UHPR)

The website is updated often. Please check regularly.

Interpretation for both EB154 and PBAC39



To facilitate accuracy and clarity in interpretation in the multilingual setting, Member States are kindly requested to send a copy of any statements to be delivered in session to interpret@who.int at least 30 minutes in advance of delivery

Preparations for PBAC39 and EB154

Next steps:

- Circular letters has been dispatched (registration details, etc.)
- Informal briefing note will be shared
- Informal meeting of PBAC members on 10 January
- **Second dedicated MS information session on PBAC39 and EB154 on 9 January from 11:30 - 13:30**



Send any further questions to:

Governance/programmatic matters: governanceunit@who.int

Protocol/registration matters: hqgoverningbodies@who.int



Will the slides be shared?

Yes



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