GUIDE FOR PARTICIPANTS



In accordance with decision FCTC/COP5 (24) the sixth session of the Conference of the Parties to the WHO FCTC (COP6) will be held from 13 to 18 October 2014 in Moscow, Russian Federation.

The guide for participants contains practical information on the organization of the session and local arrangements.

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WHO FCTC COP6 Tentative Programme

The first plenary meeting will open at 10:00 on Monday, 13 October.

WHO FCTC COP6 Programme

	Day 0 12/10 (Sun)		Day 1 13/10 (Mon) Regional meeting		Day 2 14/10 (Tue) Regional meeting		Day 3 15/10 (Wed) Regional meeting		Day 4 16/10 (Thu) Regional meeting		Day 5 17/10 (Fri) Regional meeting		Day 6 18/10 (Sat) Regional meeting	
8:00														
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00-			Registration	Opening ceremony and first plenary meeting	Registration	Plenary or Committee meetings	Registration	Plenary meeting and closing						
9		Bureau		Lunchtime seminars		Lunchtime seminars		Lunchtime seminars		Lunchtime seminars		Lunchtime seminars	Bureau meeting	
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Information about lunchtime seminars to be scheduled during the lunch break will be communicated in due course.

In addition, the COP may establish working groups and/or evening sessions.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA



The provisional agenda was prepared by the Convention Secretariat in consultation with the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties and is subject to adoption of the Conference of the Parties.

1. Opening of the session

- 1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
- Credentials of participants
- 2. Applications for the status of observer to the Conference of the Parties
- 3. Address by the Head of the Convention Secretariat and report on global progress in implementation of the WHO FCTC, followed by a general debate
- 4. Treaty instruments and technical matters
 - 1. Status of the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products
 - 2. Guidelines for implementation of Article 6 of the WHO FCTC: "Price and tax measures to reduce the demand for tobacco": report by the open-ended intersessional drafting group
 - 3. Implementation of Article 19 of the WHO FCTC: "Liability": report by the expert group
 - 4. Control and prevention of globally emerging products
 - 1. Smokeless tobacco products
 - 2. Electronic nicotine delivery systems, including electronic cigarettes
 - 3. Waterpipe tobacco smoking (item proposed by two Parties)
 - Economically sustainable alternatives to tobacco growing (in relation to Articles 17 and 18 of the WHO FCTC): report by the working group
 - 6. Further development of the partial guidelines for implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of the WHO FCTC: "Regulation of the contents of tobacco products" and "Regulation of tobacco product disclosures": report by the working group
 - 7. Impact assessment of the WHO FCTC
 - 8. Implementation of Article 5.3 of the WHO FCTC: evolving issues related to the interference of the tobacco industry (item proposed by a Party)

5. Reporting, implementation assistance and international cooperation

- 1. Reporting arrangements under the WHO FCTC
- 2. International cooperation for implementation of the WHO FCTC
- 3. Sustainable measures to strengthen implementation of the WHO FCTC: report by the working group
- 4. Trade and investment issues, including agreements, and legal challenges in relation to implementation of the WHO FCTC

6. Budgetary and institutional matters

- 1. Performance report for the 2012–2013 workplan and budget
- 2. Interim performance report for the 2014–2015 workplan and budget
- 3. Voluntary assessed contributions
- 4. Proposed workplan and budget for the financial period 2016–2017
- 5. Process for appointment and renewal of the term of office of the Head of the Convention Secretariat: report by the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties
- 6. Review of accreditation of nongovernmental organizations as observers to the Conference of the Parties
- 7. Participation of the members of the public in the sessions of the Conference of the Parties and its subsidiary bodies (item proposed by a Party)
- 8. Possible amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties (item proposed by a Party)
- 7. Date and place of the seventh session of the Conference of the Parties
- 8. Election of the President and Vice-Presidents of the Conference of the Parties
- 9. Adoption of the provisional report of the sixth session of the Conference of the Parties
- 10. Closure of the session

GREETINGS FROM MINISTER OF HEALTHCARE



I would like to offer my welcome to the participants of the sixth session of the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control which will be held in the city of Moscow, capital of the Russian Federation October 13-18, 2014 and will bring together around 1,500 representatives from 195 countries.

The WHO FCTC is an important landmark in promoting public health as it provides a new legal dimension for international cooperation in healthcare and is one of the more rapidly and widely embraced treaties in the history of the United Nations.

I wish to all participants productive work, success, prosperity and best of good health.

Looking forward to seeing you at the conference!

Veronika Skvortsova

Minister of Healthcare of the Russian Federation