## Sunday, 27 October 2013 Technical meetings\* (Ballroom, Al Bandar Hotel)

09.00-10.00 Pooled vaccine procurement: review of progress to date
Introduction by Dr Ezzedine Mohsni (WHO) and Mr Rudolf Schwenk (UNICEF)
• Discussions
10.00-11.00 Health system strengthening – Role and Regulation of the private sector
Introduction by Dr Sameen Siddiqi (WHO)
• Discussions
11.00-11.30 Break
11.30-12.30 Health information systems: an update on the development of a list of core indicators
• Introduction by Dr M. Ali (WHO)
• Discussions
12.30-13.30 Break

13.30-14.30 Global action plan for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases 2013-2020
Introduction by Dr Samer Jabbour (WHO)
• Discussions
Announcement on the WHO report on the global tobacco epidemic
14.30-16.00 Addressing antimicrobial resistance: priorities in the Region
• Introduction by Dr Keiji Fukuda (WHO) and Professor Otto Cars (Uppsala University)
• Discussions
Viral hepatitis (Egypt case study)
• Introduction by Dr Wahid Doss (Ministry of Health and Population, Egypt)
• Discussions
*In accordance with Decision No.3 of the Fifty-ninth Session of the WHO Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean Region in 2012

## A. Opening of the Regional Committee (Al-Bustan Hotel-Majan Hall)

19.30-20.30
a) Recital from the Holy Quran
b) Formal opening by H.E. Dr Bahar Idris Abu Garda, Minister of Health, Sudan, and Chairman of the Fifty-ninth Session of the Regional Committee
c) Welcome address by the Government of Oman
d) Address by Dr Ala Alwan, WHO Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean
e) Keynote speech by H.R.H. Princess Muna Al-Hussain, WHO Patron for Nursing and Midwifery in the Eastern Mediterranean Region
20.30 Dinner (AlBustan Hotel-Majan Hall)
Day one,□ Monday, 28 October 2013
09.00-11.00
B. Regular Sessions (Ballroom Al Bandar Hotel)
a) Election of Officers

• Chair
• 2 Vice-Chairs
Chair of Technical Discussions (Agenda item 1 (a))
b) Adoption of the provisional agenda and the provisional Daily Time-table (Agenda item 1(b)) EM/RC60/1- Rev.3
c) Decision on: Establishment of the Drafting Committee
d) Message from Dr Margaret Chan, WHO Director-General
e) Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 2012 and progress reports
Introduction by Dr Ala Alwan
Discussions (Agenda item 2) EM/RC60/2 EM/RC60/INF.DOC.1-7
11.00-11.30 Break
11.30-13.20 Technical discussions: Towards universal health coverage: challenges, opportunities and roadmap

Introduction by Dr Sameen Siddiqi
Discussions (Agenda item 4(b)) EM/RC60/Tech.Disc.2
Announcement on the World health report 2013: Research for universal health coverage
13.20-13.30 Group photo all members of delegations
13.30-15.00 Break - Lunch-time event - Please refer to Annex 1
15.00-16.30 Implementing the United Nations Political Declaration on Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases based on the regional framework for action
Introduction by Professor Philip James and Dr Samer Jabbour
Discussions (Agenda item 7) EM/RC60/9
16.30-17.00 Break
17.00-19.00 Afternoon functions - Please refer to Annex 1
19.00-19.30 Public health in the Region: Views from the Lancet
Introduction by Dr Richard Horton, Editor of the Lancet (TBC)

• Discussions
19.30-21.30 Dinner and awards ceremony  Day two Tuesday, 29 October 2013
09.00-11.00
Technical discussions: Regional strategy on health and the environment
Introduction by Dr Basel Al-Yousfi
• Discussions (Agenda item 4a) EM/RC60/Tech.Disc.1 Health in the post-2015 development agenda
• Introduction by Dr M.P. Kieny
• Discussions (Agenda item 6(d)) EM/RC60/7
Announcement on the Global Status Report on Road Safety
11.00-11.30 Break
11.30-13.30 Technical paper: Saving the lives of mothers and children

Introduction by Dr Elizabeth Mason and Dr Haifa Madi
• Discussions (Agenda item 5(a)) EM/RC60/3
International Health Regulations (2005): criteria for additional extensions
Introduction by Dr Keiji Fukuda and Dr Jaouad Mahjour
Discussions (Agenda item 6(e)) EM/RC60/8
13.30-15.00 Break
Lunch-time event - Please refer to Annex.1
15.00-16.30 Technical paper: Regional strategy for the improvement of civil registration and vital statistics systems
Introduction by Dr Alan Lopez and Dr M. Ali
Discussions (Agenda item 5(b)) EM/RC60/10
WHO reform:

(i) Operational planning and implementation of the programme budget 2014–2015 and development of the programme budget 2016–2017
Introduction by Dr Samir Ben Yahmed
• Discussions (Agenda item 6(c)) EM/RC60/5
WHO reform:
(ii) Report of the launch of WHO's financing dialogue
Introduction by Dr M.A. Jama
Discussions (Agenda item 6(c)) EM/RC60/6
16.30-17.00 Break
17.00 Afternoon functions - Please refer to Annex 1
20.00 Dinner
Day three, Wednesday, 30 October 2013
09.00-11.00 Resolutions and decisions of regional interest adopted by the Sixty-sixth World Health Assembly and the Executive Board at its 132nd and 133rd Sessions

Annex 1 – Lunch-time and afternoon events Monday, 28 October 2013
Closing session (Agenda item 13)
11.30-12.30 • Adoption of the report, resolutions and decisions
11.00-11.30 Break
Discussions (Agenda item 8) EM/RC60/INF.DOC.8
Introduction by Dr Samir Ben Yahmed
Review of implementation of Regional Committee resolutions 2000-2011
Discussions (Agenda item 6(b)) EM/RC60/4-Annex 1
Introduction by Dr Ziad Memish (EB Member- Saudi Arabia)
Review of the draft Provisional Agenda of the 134th Session of the WHO Executive Board
• Discussions (Agenda item 6(a)) EM/RC60/4
Introduction by Dr Walid Ammar (EB Member- Lebanon)

Lunch-time event
14.00-15.00
Regional initiative to end the HIV treatment crisis. Launch of the joint WHO UNAIDS advocacy document "Accelerating HIV treatment in the WHO Eastern Mediterranean and UNAIDS Middle East and North Africa regions"
Focal point from Secretariat: Dr Gabriele Riedner
Venue: Al-Bandar Ballroom
Afternoon functions
17.00-18.00
Meeting for updating on the support of the GAVI Alliance - The EMR GAVI eligible countries are Afghanistan, Djibouti, Pakistan, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, and Yemen.
Focal point from Secretariat: Dr Ezzeddine Mohsni
Venue: Al Bandar Ballroom
17.00-18.00

Dr A.T. Shousha Foundation and State of Kuwait Prize selection
(closed meeting)
Focal point from Secretariat: Mr Raul Thomas
Venue: Sidab room
18.00-19.00
G5 Countries' meeting
Focal point from Secretariat: Dr Sameen Siddiqi and Dr Jihane Tawilah
Venue: Qurayat room
Tuesday, 29 October 2013
Lunch-time event
14.00-15.00
Independent Expert Review Group of the Accountability Commission- Launch of second report on maternal and child Health

Focal point from Secretariat: Dr Richard Horton and Dr Haifa Madi Venue: Al Bandar Ballroom Afternoon functions 17.00-18.00 Side meeting on Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria Focal point from Secretariat: Dr Gabriele Riedner Venue: Al Bandar Ballroom Friday 16th of May 2025 12:05:31 AM