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Dr Ala Alwan, WHO Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean

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Dr Asmus Hammerich, Acting Director, Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health

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Dr Awad Mataria, Regional Adviser, Health Service Delivery

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Mr Imre Hollo, Director, Planning Resource Coordination and Performance Monitoring

## Presentations from technical meetings

### [Developing a package of high priority health interventions for universal health coverage](#)

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Dr Dean Jamison, Principal Investigator and Series Editor for DCP3, Department of Global Health, University of Washington, Seattle, USA

Dr Rachel Nugent, Vice President for Global Noncommunicable Diseases, Research Triangle Institute International, Seattle, USA

### [Prevention and care of genetic and congenital disorders, including preconception care](#)

Dr Maha El-Adawy, Director, Health Protection and Promotion

### [Health workforce development in the Eastern Mediterranean Region](#)

Dr Fethiye Gulin Gedik, Coordinator, Health Workforce Development

### [Strengthening national health information systems for better reporting of regional core indicators and the Sustainable Development Goals \(SDGs\)](#)

Dr Arash Rashidian, Director, Information, Evidence and Research

### [Addressing air quality and health in the Eastern Mediterranean Region](#)

Dr A. Basel Al-Yousfi, Director, Regional Centre for Environmental Health Action (Jordan)

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