

## Draft programme of work

September 2021	
<b>Wednesday 1 September</b>  10:00 – 12:30  14:00 – 16:30	Item 1 Opening of the session  Item 2 Adoption of the agenda  Item 3 Follow-up to Member States' requests made at the first meeting of the Working Group on Strengthening WHO Preparedness and Response to Health Emergencies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by the Secretariat of the WHO dashboard for COVID-19 related recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Followed by questions and answers</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Presentation by the Secretariat on the recommendations by the COVID-19 review panels and committees, and possible mechanisms for implementing them <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Followed by questions and answers</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Thursday 2 September</b>  10:00 – 12:30  14:00 – 16:30  Continue  <b>Friday 3 September</b>  10:00 – 12:30	Item 4 <sup>1</sup> Consideration of the findings and recommendations of the Independent Panel for Pandemic Preparedness and Response, the IHR Review Committee and the Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme, taking into account relevant work of WHO, including that stemming from resolution WHA73.1 (2020) and decision EB148(12) (2021), as well as the work of other relevant bodies, organizations, non-State actors and any other relevant information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member State discussion will be conducted in three rounds, according to categories mapped in the Secretariat's analytical paper, as contained in document A/WGPR/2/3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. leadership and governance</li> <li>b. systems and tools</li> <li>c. financing</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<p>Item 5<sup>1</sup> Prioritization of the assessment of the benefits of developing a WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic preparedness and response</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member State discussion on assessing the benefits of developing a WHO convention based on the following guiding questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Based on Member States' past and current experience in dealing with pandemics, what could be the merits of developing a WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic preparedness and response?</li> <li>b. What steps can the Member States take in ascribing relative priority to the various benefits identified of developing a WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic preparedness and response?</li> <li>c. What criteria and scope should be included or excluded from a WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic preparedness and response?</li> <li>d. What are the gaps that need to be addressed to prepare for future pandemics, and do Member States share the idea that implementation of recommendations considered under agenda item 4 requires another framework?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Friday 3 September</b> 14:00 – 16:30	<p>Item 6 Preparation of a report for consideration by the special session of the World Health Assembly, as well as a report with proposed actions for the WHO Secretariat, Member States, and non-State actors, as appropriate, for consideration by the Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly, through the Executive Board at its 150th session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member State direction to the Secretariat in preparing a detailed analysis paper for the Working Group's third meeting in October</li> <li>• Co-Chairs' summary of the second meeting: progress and next steps</li> </ul> <p>Item 7 Closure of the session</p>

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