



INVITATION

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PUBLIC EVENT

Monday, 6 March 2017 | 15:00 - 17:00

Maison de la paix, the Graduate Institute, Geneva

A moderated discussion with the candidates for Director-General of WHO

Extraordinary times require exceptional leadership. The World Health Organization (WHO) is selecting its new Director-General at a time when the global order is being challenged. There is a vibrant debate on how the multilateral system can deliver in an increasingly complex environment and spearhead the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

What is the leadership role of WHO in this highly politicised setting? What difference can a new Director-General make? What form will WHO's health diplomacy take as heads of state and other sectors engage in the global health agenda? How can WHO play to its strengths and invest in its normative and convening capacities? How can it act on behalf of the most disadvantaged? Are countries and civil society organisations asking the impossible of a cash-strapped intergovernmental organisation?

Join us for this public event to explore the political leadership and diplomacy that will make a difference in challenging times for global health, together with the three candidates for Director-General nominated by the Executive Board of WHO.

15:00 – 15:15 Welcome and introduction by Co-Chairs

Ilona **Kickbusch**, Director, Global Health Centre, the Graduate Institute, Geneva
David **Heymann**, Head, Centre on Global Health Security, Chatham House

15:15 – 16:45 Moderated discussion with the candidates for Director-General of WHO

Tedros **Adhanom Ghebreyesus**, candidate nominated by the Government of Ethiopia
David **Nabarro**, candidate nominated by the Government of the United Kingdom
Sania **Nishtar**, candidate nominated by the Government of Pakistan

Moderated by:

Andrew **Jack**, Head of Curated Content and Editor, Financial Times, and
Diah **Saminarsih**, Special Adviser to the Minister of Health of Indonesia

16:45 – 17:00 Concluding remarks by Co-Chairs

Invitation to the reception by John E. **Lange**, Ambassador and Senior Fellow, Global Health Diplomacy, United Nations Foundation

17:00 – 18:00 Reception

You are invited to submit questions through an open call the week before the event on Twitter with the hashtag #WHODGquestion, from 23 February 2017 to 1 March 2017. This event will be live webcast.