

# WHO Traditional Medicine Global summit: Towards health and well-being for all

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17-18 August 2023



## DAY 1, 17 AUGUST 2023

09:30 – 11:00	<b>SUMMIT INAUGURATION</b> <i>High-level ceremony, videos with Nobel Prize winners and stakeholder perspectives</i>	
11:15 – 12:30	<b>PLENARY SESSION 1: PLANETARY HEALTH AND WELL-BEING FOR ALL:</b> Learning from indigenous knowledges and traditional, complementary, and integrative health systems	
11:45 – 12:15	<b>SUMMIT EXHIBITION INAUGURATION</b>	
13:35 – 14:50	<b>PARALLEL SESSIONS 1- A and 1- B</b>	
	1- A: Mapping of evidence: what we know, and how do we learn more?	1- B: Workforce development: education and regulation
15:05 – 16:20	<b>PLENARY SESSION 2: COUNTRY DATA &amp; GLOBAL EVIDENCE</b>	
16:40 – 18:00	<b>PARALLEL SESSIONS 2- A and 2- B</b>	
	2- A: Data and routine information systems	2- B: Innovation, entrepreneurship and equitable sharing of benefits

## DAY 2, 18 AUGUST 2023

09:30 – 10:00	<b>Summary of Day 1</b>	
10:00 – 11:15	<b>PLENARY SESSION 3:</b> Digital health frontiers and safeguards	
11:45 – 13:00	<b>PLENARY SESSION 4:</b> Integrative health for well-being at all ages	
14:00 – 15:30	<b>Panel Discussion with G-20 Member Countries, Invited Countries and Guests:</b> Contribution of Traditional Medicine to Healthcare Systems* <i>*15:30-17:45 the G20 agenda will continue with a session on Medical Value Travel. The Traditional Medicine Global Summit Agenda will continue in parallel as scheduled.</i>	
14:05 – 15:20	<b>PARALLEL SESSIONS 3- A and 3-B</b>	
	3- A: Policy, legal and regulatory landscapes	3- B: Biodiversity, one health, and traditional medicine
15:20 – 16:30	<b>EXHIBITION VISIT</b>	
16:30 – 17:30	<b>PLENARY SESSION 5:</b> Summit declaration and valedictory session	

## List of Speakers (as of 15 August)

### 17 August 2023

#### Summit inauguration, 09:30 – 11:00

**Welcome:** Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India (virtual address)

**Keynote:** Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General

\* Traditional medicine here refers to traditional, complementary, integrative medicine / health and well-being systems

**High-level speakers:**

Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, Minister of Ayush, India  
Dr Mansukh Laxmanbhai Mandaviya, Minister of Health and Family Welfare, India  
Bhupendra Rajnikant Patel, Chief Minister Gujarat, India  
Dr Poonam K Singh, Director, WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia (SEARO)  
Dr Hans Klüge, Director, WHO Regional Office for Europe (EURO)  
Dr Bruce Aylward, WHO Assistant Director-General UHC/UHL  
Dr Shyama Kuruvilla, WHO Lead for WHO Traditional Medicine Global Centre and the Summit  
Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha, Secretary, Ministry of Ayush, India

**Video messages:**

Professor Harold Varmus, Chair of WHO Science Council, Nobel laureate in physiology or medicine 1987  
Professor Tu Youyou, Nobel laureate in physiology or medicine 2015  
Emine Erdoğan, First Lady of Türkiye  
Dr Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Director-General, World Trade Organization

**PLENARY 1 - Planetary health and well-being for all: Learning from Indigenous knowledges, and traditional, complementary and integrative health systems, 11:15-12:30**

**Moderator:** Sione Tu’itahi, Executive Director, Health Promotion Forum, New Zealand  
**Keynote:** Professor Bhushan Patwardhan, National Research Professor-Ayush, Interdisciplinary School of Health Science, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, India (Keynote)  
**Speakers:** Dr Nicole Redvers, Western Research Chair & Director, Indigenous Planetary Health, Schulich Interfaculty Program in Public Health, University of Western Ontario  
Associate Professor Hannah McGlade, Curtin University, Australia  
Dr Tracy Gaudet, Co-Founder of the Cornerstone Collaboration for Societal Change, US  
Dr Rudiger Krech, WHO Director of health promotion  
Professor Gerard Bodeker, adjunct professor of integrative medicine, Western Sydney University, Australia  
Professor Vikram Harshad Patel, Pershing Square Professor of Global Health and Chair, Department of Global Health and Social Medicine at the Harvard Medical School, US (video statement)  
**Closing:** Mr Ricardo Weibe Nascimento Costa, Vice-Minister of Indigenous Health, Brazil

**Parallel session 1A – Mapping of evidence: What we know, and how do we learn more?, 13:35-14:50**

**Moderator:** Professor John Reeder, WHO Director of the Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR)  
**Keynote:** Dr Susan Wieland, Director of the Cochrane Complementary Medicine Field University of Maryland School of Medicine, US

**WHO Study:** Dr Myeong Soo LEE, Principal Researcher, Korea Institute of Oriental Medicine (KIOM), South Korea

**Speakers:** Dr João Paulo Souza, Director, Latin American and the Caribbean Center for Health Sciences Information (BIREME/PAHO/WHO), Brazil  
Dr Nadine Ijaz, Director, Traditional, Complementary and Integrative Medicine Lab, Carleton University  
Dr S R Narahari, Director, Institute of Applied Dermatology (IAD), Kerala, India  
Mr Mehdi Snene, International Digital Health and AI Research Collaborative (I-DAIR), Switzerland

**Parallel session 1B – Workforce development: Education and regulation, 13:35-14:50**

**Moderator:** Dr Jean-Baptiste Nikiema, Deputy WHO Representative Democratic Republic of the Congo

**Keynote:** Distinguished Professor Charlie C. Xue, Associate Deputy Vice Chancellor (International), RMIT University, Australia

**Speakers:** Dr Agya Mahat, WHO Health Workforce Department  
Dr Roshanak Ghods, Associate Professor, Department of Persian Medicine, Iran University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran  
Professor Jon Wardle, Professor of Public Health, Maurice Blackmore Chair of Naturopathic Medicine and Foundation, and Director of the National Centre for Naturopathic Medicine at Southern Cross University, Australia  
Dr Neelam Dhingra, Unit Head, WHO Patient Safety Flagship, WHO  
Vaidya Jayant Deopujari, Chairman- National Commission for Indian System of medicine, Ministry of Ayush, India  
Atousa Bonyani, National Professional Officer (Access to Medicine and Health Technologies), UHC/Health System Unit, WHO Country Office Iran  
Professor Zheng Linyun, National Administration Traditional Chinese Medicine, China  
Quincy Ayodele, traditional health practitioner, Lagos, Nigeria  
Dr Michael Dixon, Chair of the College of Medicine and Co-Chair of the National Social Prescribing Network, United Kingdom (video statement)

**PLENARY 2 – Country data and global evidence, 15:05-16:20**

**Moderator:** Dr Anchalee Chuthaputti, Advisor (International cooperation), Department of Thai Traditional and Alternative Medicine

**Keynote:** Dr Rajiv Bahl, Secretary to Government of India, Department of Health Research and Director General, Indian Council of Medical Research

**Speakers:** Dr Muhammad Radzi bin Abu Hassan, Health director-general, The Health Ministry, Malaysia  
Dr Rudi Eggers, WHO Director of Integrated Health Services  
Dr Kim SungChol, Head, WHO Traditional, Complementary and Integrative Medicine Unit

Dr Binti Khalib Asmayani, Deputy Director General for Medical Program, Ministry of Health Malaysia

Dr Al-Nuseirat, Technical Officer, Access to Medicines & Health Technologies unit, WHO Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office

Professor Dr Elio Giovanni Rossi, representing EUROCAM

Felchism Apolnary, Manager, Medicines Registration, Medicine and Medical Devices Authority, Tanzania

Dr Jonás Gonseth García, Advisor, Quality in Health Systems and Services, Pan American Health Organization PAHO/WHO

**Closing:** Hon J. A. Sisira Kumara Jayakodi, Hon. State Minister of Indigenous Medicine, Sri Lanka

**Parallel session 2A: Data and routine information systems, 16:40-18:00**

**Moderator:** Dr Robert Jakob, WHO Lead, Classifications and Terminologies

**Speakers:** Dr Goh Cheng Soon, Director, Traditional and Complementary Medicine Division, Ministry of Health, Malaysia

Dr Chang-Ho Han, Dongguk University, KOSTAT consultant, Korean WHO FIC Collaborating Center

Dr John Hughes, Head of Research, Royal London Hospital of Integrated Medicine, UCLH NHS Trust, and Associate Professor Integrated Medicine, University of West London, UK

Dr Saket Ram Thrigulla, Officer on Special Duty (Ayush Grid), Ministry of Ayush, India

Dr Kenji Watanabe, Keio University School of Medicine, Co-chair Traditional Medicine Reference Group of the WHO FIC Network, Japanese WHO FIC Collaborating Center

Dr Arman Zargaran, Director of International Affairs Development and Assistant Professor of Traditional Pharmacy, Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Iran

Dr Rodrigo Angelo Ong, Chief, Research and Development division, Institute of Traditional and Alternative Medicine, Department of Health, Philippines

Dr Mujeeb Hoosen, Coordinator: Unani Tibb, School of Natural Medicine, Faculty of Community & Health Sciences, University of the Western Cape, South Africa

Marilyn Allen, Editor of Acupuncture Today, traditional medicine advocate

**Parallel session 2B: Innovation, entrepreneurship and equitable sharing of benefits, 16:40-18:00**

**Moderator:** Dr Ossy Kasilo, WHO Senior Consultant and former Regional Advisor for Traditional Medicine, African Regional Office, WHO

**Keynote:** Professor Dennis Chang, Director of NICM Health Research Institute, Western Sydney University, Australia

**Speakers:** Dr Manisha Shridhar, Regional Advisor on Intellectual Property Rights, Regulation, Trade and Legal issues, WHO SEARO  
Francisco Cali Tzay, UN Human Rights Council Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

Professor Motlalepula G. Matsabisa, Director and Programme Lead of the Indigenous Knowledge Systems (Health), School of Clinical Medicine, and Faculty of Health Sciences, University of the Free State

Dr Salih Adil Berktaş, Traditional, Complementary and Functional Medicine Practices Department, Health Services General Directorate, Ministry of Health, Republic of Türkiye.

Rekha Vijayam, Joint Controller of Patents & Designs at Indian Patent Office

Kartikeya Balwada, Member of the Steering Committee, Vitafoods, Switzerland

Teboho Machethe, University of Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa

Nguyen Thi Huong Lien, Permanent member of the Vietnam Oriental Traditional Medicine Association, Vice-president of the Vietnam Science & Technology Business Association

Dr Kerstin Andrae-Marobela, COVID-19 Indigenous Knowledge Research Consortium, Center for Scientific Research, Indigenous Knowledge & Innovation University of Botswana, Gaborone, Botswana (video statement)

Dr Palitha Abeykoon, Member of the WHO-World Bank Global Preparedness Monitoring Board

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### **PLENARY 3 – Digital health frontiers and safeguards, 10:00-11:15**

**Moderator:** Sameer Pujari, WHO Digital Health Unit Lead

**Keynote:** Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha, Secretary of the Ministry of Ayush, India  
Dr Amandeep Singh Gill, UN Secretary-General's Envoy on Technology (video statement)

**Speakers:** Dr Saket Ram Thrigulla, Officer of Special Duty (Ayush Grid), Ministry of Ayush, Government of India  
Sameer Pujari, Ursula (Yu) Zhao and Kanika Kalra, WHO Digital Health and Innovation Department  
Dr Jose Maria Veganzones Alonso Cortés, Head, Digital Health division, Ministry of Health, Spain  
Professor  
Dr Bhavana Prasher, Senior Principal Scientist, CSIR- TRISUTRA Ayurgenomics Unit, Centre of Excellence for Applied Development of Ayurveda Prakriti and Genomics and Associate Professor, Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research, India  
Dr Devina Lobine, Next Einstein Forum Ambassador, L'Oréal-UNESCO young talent award winner, Mauritius  
Dr Karma Gaylek, Medical Superintendent, National Traditional Medicine Hospital, Department of Clinical Services, National Medical Services, Thimphu Bhutan.  
Dr Roshanak Ghods, Associate Professor, Department of Persian Medicine, Iran University of Medical Sciences, Tehran, Iran  
Professor Dr Xu ZHAI, China Academy of Chinese Medical Sciences, Beijing, China.

**Closing:** Dr Hans Klüge, Director, WHO Regional Office for Europe

### **Parallel session 3A – Policy, legal and regulatory landscapes, 14:05-15:20**

- Moderator:** Dr Obijiofor Aginam, Principal Visiting Fellow at UNU-IIGH, and Adjunct Research Professor of Law and Legal Studies at Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada
- Keynote:** Professor Dr M. Iqbal Choudhary, Director, International Centre for Chemical and Biological Sciences, and Vice President, World Academy of Sciences for the advancement of science in developing countries (Central & South Asia)
- WHO Study:** “Landscape Analysis of Integration of Traditional, Complementary and Alternative Medicine into WHO Member State Health Systems” - Dr Laura J Frost and Dr Betha Anne Pratt, Global Health Insights
- Speakers:** Professor Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, Research and Information System for Developing Countries, India  
Dr Tlaleng Mofokeng, UN Special Rapporteur on the right to health (tbc)  
Dr Hlupheka Chabalala, National Director, Indigenous Knowledge-Based Technology Innovation Unit, Department of Science and Technology, South Africa  
Dr Ikhlas Khan, Director, National Centre for Natural Products Research, University of Mississippi, US  
Roy Upton, President and Editor, American Herbal Pharmacopoeia, US  
Dr Abdullah O Alanazi, Consultant, Counsellor General, CEO, National Centre for Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Saudi Arabia  
Dr Saifulla Khalid Adamji, Senior In charge Licensing & Policies, Health Regulation Department, Sharjah Health Authority, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates  
Dr Charles Wu, Master Pharmacognosy/Pharmacology Reviewer, and Botanical Review Team Lead, Office of Pharmaceutical Quality, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, United States Food and Drug Administration (video statement)

#### **PARALLEL SESSION 3B – Biodiversity, One Health, and traditional medicine, 14:05-15:20**

- Moderator:** Professor Georg Seifert, Senior physician, Paediatric Oncology and Professor, Integrative medicine in paediatrics, Charité – Universitätsmedizin, Germany
- Speakers:** Dr Cristina Romanelli, WHO Climate Change, Biodiversity and Health Focal Point  
Dr Bimal Kumar Choudhury, Program Director, SAARC Regional Veterinary Association, Nepal  
Dr Tanuja Nesari, Director, All India Institute of Ayurveda, and CEO, National Medicinal Plant Board, India  
Dr Nicole Redvers, Western Research Chair & Director, Indigenous Planetary Health, Schulich Interfaculty Program in Public Health, University of Western Ontario  
Dr Olivier Rukundo, Senior Programme Management Officer and Head of Unit, Peoples and Biodiversity, United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity, Montreal, Canada  
Dr Ilaria Firmian, Senior technical specialist on Indigenous and tribal issues, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- Closing:** tbc

#### **PLENARY 4: Integrative health for well—being at all ages, 11:45-13:00**

- Moderator:** Prof Dr Ricardo Ghelman, Chair, Brazilian Academic Consortium for Integrative Health, CABSIN, and Professor of the Department of Medicine on Primary Care, Faculty of Medicine of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- Keynote:** Dr Vinod Paul, Member, National Institution for Transforming India (the NITI Aayog)
- Speakers:** Professor Stefano Masiero, Professor and Chair of the Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, School of Medicine, University of Padua, Italy  
Dr Tido von Schoen-Angerer, Vice-President of the International Federation of Anthroposophic Medical Associations, and co-founder of the Centre for Integrative Paediatrics at the Fribourg Cantonal Hospital, Switzerland  
Dr Heather Boon, Professor, Leslie Dan Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Toronto, Canada  
Dr Thongchai Lertwilairatanapong, Director-General of the Department of Thai Traditional and Alternative Medicine, Ministry of Public Health, Thailand  
Dr Nessma Aly Elnabawy, General Manager, General Administration for Registration of Herbal Products, Egypt  
Dr Sekagya Yahaya Hills, President, PROMETRA Uganda  
Dr Maria Endang Sumiwi, Directorate General of Public Health, Ministry of Health, Indonesia  
Dr Gururaj Mutalik, Former Director, WHO, advocate for integration of traditional medicine (video statement)
- Closing:** Hon'ble Mr Mohan Bahadur Basnet, Minister of Health and Population, Nepal