

Potential thematic areas to highlight for events

Proposed thematic areas	Description	Potential sub-topics (indicative examples)
Health impacts of climate change	Showcasing evidence base and clear impact pathways between climate change and human health	Heat, mental health, maternal and child health, food and nutrition, infectious disease, etc.
Health co-benefits of climate mitigation	Promoting “health arguments for climate action” and health co-benefits of mitigation	Clean air/energy, just transition, active travel, food systems, role of culture/strategic communications, nature, etc.
Climate resilient low carbon health systems	Highlighting needs, barriers and best practices for strengthening climate resilience of and decarbonizing health systems	Low-carbon systems, disaster-resilient healthcare, health-systems leapfrog in LMICs, etc.
Adaptation for health	Identifying and scaling adaptation measures to address the impacts of climate change on health (including through One Health)	Evaluation, UHC, urban planning, financing, nature-based solutions, etc.
Action for health, relief, recovery & peace	Taking action at the nexus of health and relief, recovery and peace	Healthcare in disaster and complex emergency contexts, anticipatory action and prevention, etc.

Key design principles

Design principles	Key questions	Potential parameters for selection
Action-oriented	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do key stakeholders have a seat at the table and are they able to participate meaningfully? Is the event either linked to the negotiation process or designed to be outcome-oriented and to move the needle, including by addressing key levers and potential barriers to action? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministers, key civil society members, youth, and activists are participating and engaged Event linked to formal negotiation process or commitments on key enablers/levers (financing, policy, etc) Initiative likely to result in concrete action and results, with accountability built-in.
Cross-sector engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does this event create space and platforms for cross-sectoral engagement beyond an already informed audience, and help break down silos? Is the event design engaging, will it 'cut through the noise'? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Events are of interest and intelligible for audiences outside of health. They 'stick out'. Opportunities to network and learn from other sectors, with participation from cross-sectoral range of actors
Inclusivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are diverse voices representing a balanced range of geographical, professional, and disciplinary viewpoints envisaged? Are groups with lived experience, at the forefront of issues discussed and not usually 'at the table' participating meaningfully (frontline health workers, indigenous peoples, youth, etc)? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Event participants have diverse geographic, professional and disciplinary backgrounds Strong and inclusive representation from key and under-represented constituencies, groups, and countries
Long-term impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does this contribute to communicating key messages on climate-health and reinforcing the human face of climate change? Does this contribute to a long-term impact of climate-health agenda beyond COP28? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alignment with a narrative that showcases the impact of COP28 in the short and long term Plan for long-term sustainability (links to UNFCCC, future COPs or other sustainable processes)
Balance and breadth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is this event bringing in a new or original perspective, topic or angle? Does it complement other proposed events? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Range of topics, issues and perspectives represented Complementarity and balance across selected sessions