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The World Health Organization (WHO) presents its compliments to Member States and has the honour to inform them that the Global High-Level Technical Meeting on Noncommunicable Diseases (NCDs) in Humanitarian Settings: Building Resilient Health Systems, Leaving No One Behind, will take place in Copenhagen, Denmark, from 27 to 29 February 2024.

The meeting is co-organized by WHO headquarters, the WHO Regional Office for Europe, and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), in collaboration with the Government of Denmark, in a hybrid (virtual/in person) format.

Member States are requested to nominate two senior technical representatives, one from emergency-related fields including refugees and one from NCD-related fields, to participate and contribute in person to the meeting. WHO will cover travel and accommodation cost for participants from countries included in the UN list of least developed countries (UN LDCs). It will also be possible (for other members of the delegation) to join the meeting virtually.

Ahead of the fourth High-level Meeting of the United Nations General Assembly (HLM4) in 2025 and as part of the NCD Implementation Roadmap 2023–2030 and wider efforts to strengthen and reorient health systems to address the prevention and control of NCDs through people-centred primary health care and universal health coverage, the main objective of this high-level technical meeting is to build political momentum, understand and discuss the development of a comprehensive approach to NCDs in humanitarian settings with better inclusion of essential services for NCDs in emergency preparedness and response plans and for refugee populations. The expertise and experience from countries will prove highly valuable in building more resilient health systems and better addressing emergency response and readiness for people living with NCDs.

The concept note and provisional programme are available on the dedicated webpage at <https://www.who.int/news-room/events/detail/2024/02/27/default-calendar/global-high-level-technical-meeting-on-noncommunicable-diseases-in-humanitarian-settings>.

The working language of the meeting will be English, interpretation in the plenaries will be provided in the six official languages.

Nominations, including the full name, title and contact information, should be sent by email to: NCDHumanitarian2024@who.int, by Monday, 22 January 2024.

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The World Health Organization takes this opportunity to renew to Member States the assurance of its highest consideration.

GENEVA, 19 December 2023