

Third International Dialogue on Sustainable Financing for NCDs and Mental Health

Governance structure

The governance structure for the Third International Dialogue on Sustainable Financing for NCDs and Mental Health is designed to provide strategic leadership, technical coordination, and operational support across global and national levels. The structure is depicted in Figure 1, and described below.

- The **Global Steering Committee (GSC)** provides overall strategic guidance for the planning and implementation of the Dialogue (for terms of reference and composition, see page 2).
- An **International Expert Advisory Group** of experts offers specialized technical advice (for terms of reference and composition, see page 3-4).
- Supporting the GSC is the **International Organizing Committee**, a core working group composed of representatives from the Department of Health, Philippines, WHO, and the Asian Development Bank (ADB), which is responsible for developing the technical programme and coordinating global preparations through regular meetings.
- The **International Secretariat**, comprising WHO Headquarters, WPRO, Country Office, and DOH, provides administrative and technical support across all governance bodies.
- At the national level, the **National Organizing Committee** leads local coordination and implementation, and is led by DOH representatives.

Figure 1. Governance structure



Global Steering Committee

Terms of Reference

Purpose	The Global Steering Committee (GSC) is established to provide strategic technical direction for the Dialogue.
Objectives	The GSC will: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Provide strategic technical direction for the overall design, positioning, and outcomes of the Dialogue.2. Technically guide the development of key outputs, including:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. The Manila Declaration on Sustainable Financing and Health System Reformb. The Regional Compact on Pooled Procurementc. The Sustainable Financing Toolkit3. Promote technical coherence with global frameworks on UHC, NCDs, and mental health.4. Facilitate high-level engagement and stakeholder alignment across sectors and partners.
Composition	The Global Steering Committee is chaired by DOH Philippines and co-chaired by WHO for technical strategic advice. The DOH Philippines is represented by the Secretary of Health. WHO is represented by the ADG for Health Promotion, Disease Prevention and Care (PPC), the ADG for Health Systems (HSD) and the Regional Director of the WHO Western Pacific Region (WPR). Other members include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Representative from the WHO Country Office, Philippines• Senior representative from the Asian Development Bank (ADB)• Representatives from the International Expert Advisory Group (IEAG)• Technical representatives from WHO Headquarters
Working Modalities	The GSC will meet virtually on two occasions leading up to the Dialogue (27 April 2026 and June 2026 (date to be confirmed)). Meetings will be convened by the co-chairs and relevant documents will be shared ahead of each meeting. Decisions required by the committee will be made by consensus.

International Expert Advisory Group

Terms of Reference

Purpose	The International Expert Advisory Group (IEAG) is established to provide technical expertise and quality assurance for the Dialogue’s programme, thematic workstreams, and key outputs, including the Declaration, Sustainable Financing Toolkit, and Regional Compact.
Objectives	The IEAG will: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Review and advise on technical content, session design, and thematic coherence of the dialogue agenda.2. Ensure technical rigor and evidence base of the dialogue outputs, including the Declaration, Toolkit, and Regional Compact.3. Identify gaps in the programme and recommend revisions.4. Contribute expertise to thematic workstreams, including financing, procurement, regulation and service delivery.
Composition	Global and local representatives with expertise in financing and access to health products and services. Full composition detailed below.
Working Modalities	The IEAG will meet virtually on two occasions leading up to the Dialogue, at least one week before each GSC meeting. Meetings will be convened by the co-chairs and relevant documents will be shared ahead of each meeting. Decisions required by the group will be made by consensus.

IEAG Composition

Chair

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