



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

3 June 2016

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to my previous communication dated 11 May 2016, concerning the High-Level Meeting on HIV/AIDS that will take place from 8 to 10 June and I am pleased to enclose herewith the Provisional Programme for this Meeting.

Please note that colour coded secondary passes will not be required for the plenary and the panel discussions. Delegations will be entitled to six seats at the plenary and 2 seats on the basis of (1+1) for the panel discussions. Also, kindly note that conference room 3 will function as an overflow room during the opening.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mogens Lykketoft', written in a cursive style.

Mogens Lykketoft

To all Permanent Representatives  
and Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
New York



**Provisional Programme**

| Day 1  | Wednesday 8 June 2016  |  |
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| Morning Session  |  |  |
| 10:00a.m.–11:00a.m.  | <p><b>Opening plenary meeting, including adoption of the Outcome Document</b></p> <p><b>Keynote speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ H.E. Mr.Mogens Lykketoft, President of the General Assembly</li> <li>▪ H.E. Mr.Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General</li> <li>▪ Mr. Michel Sidibé, UNAIDS Executive Director</li> <li>▪ Ms. Loyce Maturu, a woman openly living with HIV (Africaid Zvandiri, Zimbabwe)</li> <li>▪ Mr.Ndaba Mandela, Grandson of Nelson Mandela and AIDS Activist, an eminent person actively engaged in the response to HIV/AIDS</li> </ul> <p><b>Venue:</b> <i>General Assembly Hall</i></p>   |  |
| <p>11:00a.m. – 1:00p.m.</p> <p>11:00am - 12:00pm</p> <p>12:00pm - 1:00pm</p> | <p><b>Panel Discussion 1 - AIDS within the SDGs: leveraging the end of AIDS for social transformation and sustainable development</b></p> <p><i>Description: The AIDS response is interwoven with, and interdependent upon, progress across a range of Sustainable Development Goals, SDGs (including poverty eradication, gender equality, education, access to justice and inclusive societies and institutions) as well as across targets within the health goal. This panel will discuss how to best leverage these synergies, as well as distil key lessons learned from the AIDS response that can help to accelerate progress across SDGs.</i></p> <p><b>Co-Chairs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ H.E. Mr. Kwesi Bekoe Amissah-Arthur, Vice President of the Republic of Ghana</li> <li>▪ H.E. Mr.Ratu Epeli Nailatikau, Former President of the Republic of the Fiji</li> </ul> <p><b>Panelists (Round 1):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ H.E. Dr. Cleopa Mailu, EBS, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Health of Kenya</li> <li>▪ H.E. Ms. Veronika Skvortsova, Minister of Healthcare of the Russian Federarion</li> <li>▪ H.E. Ms.Tania Dussey, Secretary of State of Switzerland</li> </ul> <p><b>Panelists (Round 2):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ H.E. Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ethiopia</li> <li>▪ Mr. Anthony Lake, Executive Director of the United Nation’s Children Fund (UNICEF)</li> <li>▪ Ms. Shannon Kowalski, Director of Advocacy and Policy, International Women’s Health Coalition</li> </ul> <p><b>Format:</b> <i>Panel discussion designed to encourage interactive exchange including Q&amp;A and remarks from Member States.</i></p> <p><b>Venue:</b> <i>Trusteeship Council Chamber</i></p> | <p><b>General Debate</b></p> <p><b>Venue:</b> <i>General Assembly Hall</i></p> |

**Afternoon Session**

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| <p><b>3:00p.m. – 6:00p.m.</b></p> | <p><b><u>Panel Discussion 2 - Financing the end of AIDS: the window of opportunity</u></b><br/> <b>Description:</b> <i>Fast tracking the response in the next five years is critical to ending AIDS by 2030. Without sufficient and sustainable financing, we risk losing the gains made so far and could potentially face a rebound of the epidemic. This panel will explore how to frontload investments both in high burden and low prevalence countries, in line with the principle of shared responsibility and global solidarity. It will also discuss how to foster new and invigorated partnerships among Member States, the private sector and civil society, building on the commitments of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda on Financing for Development.</i></p> <p><b><u>Co-Chairs:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Mr. Roch Marc Christian Kaboré</b>, President of Burkina Faso</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Mrs. Lorena Castillo de Varela</b>, First Lady and the head of delegation of the Republic Of Panama</li> </ul> | <p><b>Continuation of General Debate</b></p> <p><b>Venue:</b> <i>General Assembly Hall</i></p> |
| <p><i>3:00p.m. – 4:30p.m</i></p>  | <p><b><u>Panelists (Round 1):</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau</b>, Minister for International Cooperation of Canada</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Mrs. Awa Coll Seck</b>, Minister of Health of Senegal</li> <li>▪ <b>Professor Jeffrey Sachs</b>, University Professor and Director, The Earth Institute, Columbia University</li> </ul>  |  |
| <p><i>4:30p.m. – 6:00p.m.</i></p> | <p><b><u>Panelists (Round 2):</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Dr. Jorge Daniel Lemus</b>, Minister of Health of the Argentine Republic</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Philippe Douste-Blazy</b>, United Nations Special Advisor on innovative financing for development and Chair of the UNITAID Executive Board</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Mark Dybul</b>, Executive Director, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria</li> <li>▪ <b>Ms. Rachel Ong</b>, Communications Focal Point, Global Fund Community Delegation</li> </ul> <p><b>Format:</b> <i>Panel discussion designed to encourage interactive exchange including Q&amp;A and remarks from Member States.</i></p> <p><b>Venue:</b> <i>Trusteeship Council Chamber</i></p>  |  |



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| <p><b>3:00p.m. - 6:00p.m</b></p>  | <p><b><u>Panel Discussion 4 - Leaving no one behind: ending stigma and discrimination through social justice and inclusive societies</u></b></p> <p><i><b>Description:</b> The AIDS epidemic and response brought to light the urgency of leaving no one behind as a public health necessity and as a moral and human rights imperative. However, data indicates that many have no access to HIV services. Vulnerability to and the impact of HIV is fuelled by stigma, discrimination and exacerbated by unequal access to social goods and services. This panel will explore the opportunity offered by the 2030 Agenda to realize the vision and commitments to advance the principles of equality and inclusion and achieve the health targets for people living with, affected by and at risk of HIV.</i></p> <p><b><u>Co-Chairs:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Ms.Sylvia Bongo Ondimba</b>, First Lady and the head of delegation of the Gabonese Republic</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Faustin-Archange Touadéra</b>, President of Central African Republic</li> </ul> | <p><b>Continuation of General Debate</b></p> <p><b>Venue: General Assembly Hall</b></p> |
| <p><i>3:00p.m. – 4:30p.m.</i></p> | <p><b><u>Panelists (Round 1):</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Dr. Piyasakol Sakolsatayadorn</b>, Minister of Public Health of Thailand</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Mrs.Marisol Touraine</b>, Minister of Social Affairs and Health of France</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Ms.Lilianne Ploumen</b>, Minister of Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation of the Netherlands</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Mr. Celso Amorim</b>, Co-President of the High Level Panel on Global Response to Health Crises</li> </ul>   |   |
| <p><i>4:30p.m. – 6:00p.m.</i></p> | <p><b><u>Panelists (Round2):</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Mrs.Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka</b>, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Ochonye Bartholomew Boniface</b>, Country Director, Heartland Alliance Nigeria</li> <li>▪ <b>Ms. Laxmi Narayan Tripathi</b>, President Astitva Transgender Network</li> </ul> <p><b>Format:</b> Panel discussion designed to encourage interactive exchange including Q&amp;A and remarks from Member States.</p> <p><b>Venue:</b> Trusteeship Council Chamber</p>   |   |

| Day 3   | Friday 10 June 2016  |   |
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| <b>Morning Session</b>  |  |   |
| <p><b>10:00a.m. – 1:00p.m.</b></p> <p><i>10:00a.m.–11:30p.m.</i></p> <p><i>11:30a.m. – 1:00p.m.</i></p> | <p><b>Panel Discussion 5 - Children, adolescent girls, and young women: preventing new HIV infections</b></p> <p><i>Description: In 2014, there were close to 350,000 new HIV infections among young women aged 10 to 24 globally. The greater risk of exposure, in particular in sub-Saharan Africa, combined with biological susceptibility, means HIV continues to disproportionately affect young women and adolescent girls. Empowering adolescent girls and young women to claim their rights, protect their sexual and reproductive health, access services and live free of violence and discrimination is at the core of ending the AIDS epidemic. The panel will discuss addressing the particular needs of children, adolescent girls and young women as a central part of the effort to end AIDS.</i></p> <p><b>Co-Chairs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Mr. Timothy Sylvester Harris</b>, Prime Minister, Minister for Sustainable Development, National Security, People Empowerment and Constituency Empowerment of Saint Kitts and Nevis</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Ana Rossana Guevara Pinto</b>, Vice President of Honduras</li> </ul> <p><b>Panelists (Round 1):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Mr. Aaron Motsoaledi</b>, Minister of Health of South Africa</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Dr. Pagwesese David Parirenyatwa</b>, Minister of Health and Child Care of Zimbabwe</li> <li>▪ <b>H.E. Dr. Raymonde Goudou Coffie</b>, Minister of Health and Public Hygiene of Cote d’Ivoire</li> <li>▪ <b>Hon. Dr. Joseph Kasonde, MP</b>, Minister of Health of Zambia</li> </ul> <p><b>Panelists (Round 2):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin</b>, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)</li> <li>▪ <b>Mrs. Olena Stryzhak</b>, Deputy Head, Positive Women</li> <li>▪ <b>Mr. Chip Lyons</b>, Chief Executive Officer, Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation</li> </ul> <p><b>Format:</b> Panel discussion designed to encourage interactive exchange including Q&amp;A and remarks from Member States.</p> <p><b>Venue:</b> Trusteeship Council Chamber</p> | <p><b>Continuation of General Debate</b></p> <p><b>Venue:</b> General Assembly Hall</p> |
| <b>Afternoon Session</b>  |  |   |
| <p><b>3:00p.m. – 6:00p.m.</b></p>   | <p><b>Continuation of plenary meeting &amp; closing</b></p>  | <p><b>Venue:</b> General Assembly Hall</p>  |