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Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus leads World Health Organization delegation at the high-level segment of the 72nd session of the United Nations General Assembly

New York, 14 September 2017 – Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus will lead the WHO delegation participating in the high-level segment of the 72nd session of the UN General Assembly, which starts 18 September in New York: Focusing on People: Striving for Peace and a Decent Life for All on a Sustainable Planet.

WHO will emphasize the importance both of safeguarding the health of all people in the interests of global security and sustainable development, and of international partnerships – with and between governments and development actors, and across sectors.

WHO will organize a number of high-level events, and Dr Tedros and other senior officials will participate in many more.

WHO co-sponsored side events:

Monday, September 18

- Launch of the Independent Accountability Panel report Event: Transforming accountability for Women, Children and Adolescents
  
  Time: 10:00 am -12:00 noon | Venue: UNHQ, Conference Room 4
  Contact: Jose ALCALA alcaladoneganim@who.int

- Ensuring a better future for all: Reaching the SDG target on NCDs by elevating partnerships, gender and technical assistance
  
  Time: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm | Venue: UNHQ, Conference Room 11
  Contact: Menno VAN HILTEN vanhiltenm@who.int

- World Leaders for Universal Health Coverage: The Core Driver to Achieve the SDGs
  
  Time: 4:30 – 6:00 pm | Venue: UNHQ, Conference Room 3
  RSVP to rsvp@whoun.org

Tuesday, September 19

- From Evidence to Impact: data and accountability in Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights in humanitarian settings
• United to End TB: A Global Response to a Global Emergency

Time: 4:00 – 6:00 pm | Venue: Church Center, New York
RSVP to Rajat KHOSLA, khoslar@who.int

Thursday, September 21

• One Year On: Progress, Challenges, Opportunities and New Ways of Working to AMR

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 pm | Venue: South Dining Hall, Delegates Dining Room, UNHQ
RSVP to communications@stoptb.org

• High-level Side-event: The Role of Country Leadership in Accelerating Global Malaria Elimination

Time: 8:00 – 10:00 am | Venue: Grand Hyatt
RSVP to nsavage@unfoundation.org

Friday, September 22

• Side Event on Health and Migration & Refugees: Focusing on people, striving for peace and a decent life for all

Time: 12:30-2:00 pm | Venue: UNHQ, Conference Room 5

• Childhood Obesity - a Development Time-bomb: Learning from SIDS to accelerate multi-sectoral action in support of the 2025 NCD Targets and the SDGs

Time: 1:15 – 2:30 pm | Venue: Trusteeship Council Chamber

For more information on WHO’s activities during the high-level week of the Assembly and media opportunities please contact:

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