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WHS
Regional
Meeting

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World Health Summit Regional Meeting 2026

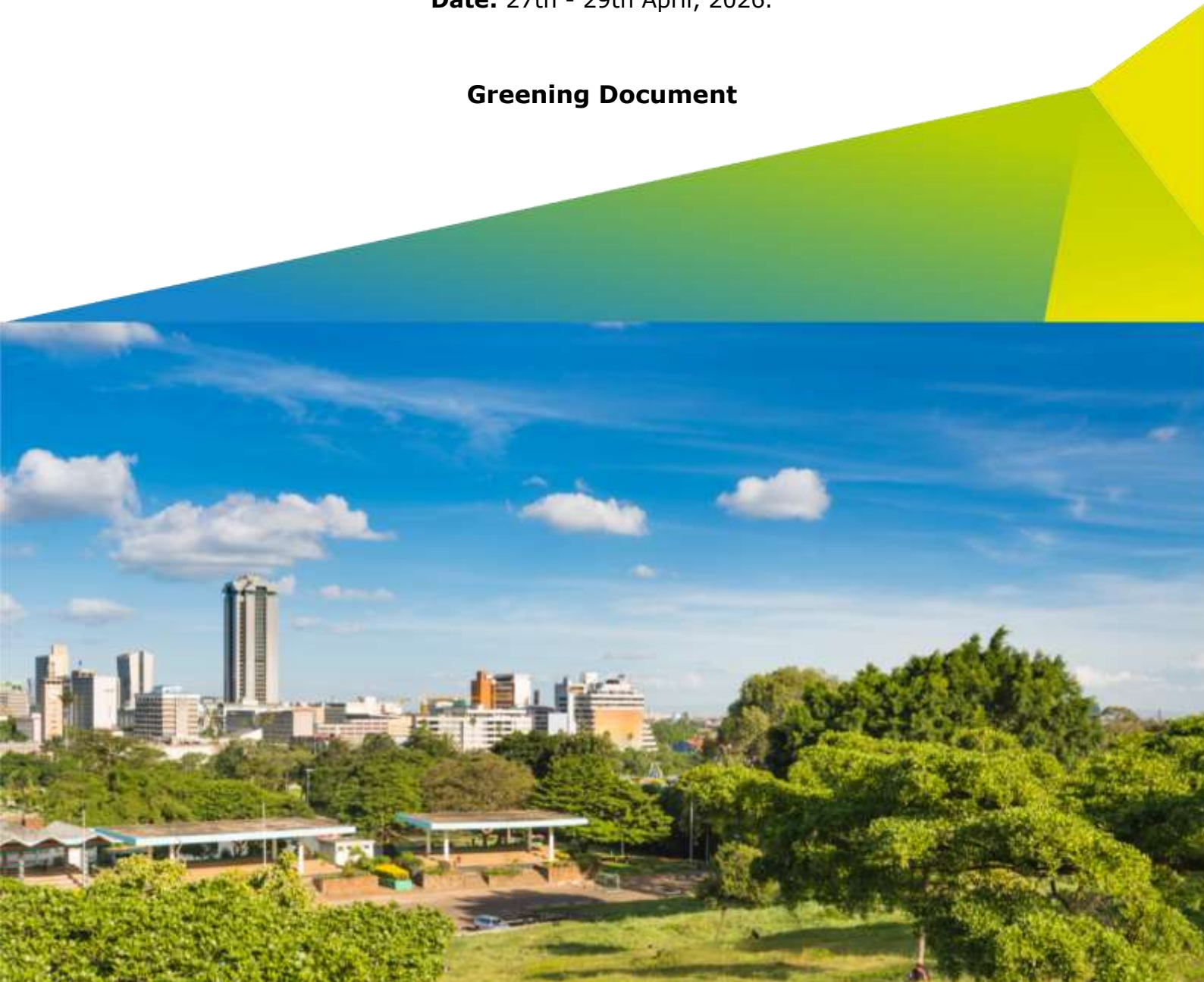
Theme:

***Reimagining Africa's Health Systems: Innovation, Integration,
and Interdependence***

Venue: United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON), Kenya

Date: 27th - 29th April, 2026.

Greening Document



UNON has taken steps to **enhance and promote the environmental sustainability** of its activities, including in the preparation and conduct of its meetings.

WHS will be conducted in accordance with UNON's environmental sustainability efforts. A number of measures will be put in place to **reduce the environmental impact** and offset unavoidable greenhouse gas emissions related to it.

All **participants have an essential role to play** in reducing the environmental footprint for the WHS meeting, and your support in this important effort is greatly appreciated.

Sustainability measures that will be adopted at the venue:

Reducing waste production: WHSs will aim at reducing wastes, especially plastic waste, at the meeting venue, in collaboration with UNON and the caterer:

- The use of plastic in containers, bottles, sandwich wraps, cutlery and cups will be minimized and replaced with alternatives. Please see below a table of items that will be available at UNON, and suggested actions to reduce waste production.
- Participants are strongly encouraged to bring refillable drinking containers (cups, mugs, bottles) to be used at the Café/Restaurant and hydration station/ water dispensers located throughout the venue.
- The venue has a recycling programme, and recycling bins are disposed in various locations throughout the venue.

Paperless meeting: The meeting will be paperless and printed documents will not be provided.

Participants are encouraged to bring laptops or tablets.

Suggested actions for participants to support greening UNON

Participants who organize their own travel to and from Nairobi are encouraged to take the following actions:

- I. Calculate the CO2 emissions related to their travels, using the [ICAO flight emissions calculator](#).
- II. Offset their emissions, using the [United Nations carbon offset platform](#) and sending a copy of the attestation to the Secretariat at mea-minamatameetings@un.org to help track progress in offsetting UN emissions.
- III. Opt for direct routes that avoid additional emissions associated with multiple take-offs and landings.
- IV. Voluntarily lower the flight class to avoid the higher footprint of business class trips;
- V. Use sustainable transportation, including buses, biking, walking, or carpooling for local trips where possible;
- VI. Shift meals to plant-based, locally produced, in-season, or eco-certified alternatives where possible;
- VII. Seek out accommodations that have a green guest program or have earned an eco-certification.
- VIII. Stay at accommodations that are within walking distance of the meeting venue;
- IX. Reduce food waste and other waste.

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- X. Bring refillable drinking containers (cups, mugs, bottles) to be used at the Café/Restaurant and hydration stations.
- XI. Download any electronic documents for use onsite. Printed copies will not be provided, but participants will be able to recharge their devices.
- XII. Participate in the venue's recycling program.

The following items will be available at UNON. Please consider the suggested actions to reduce waste and make UNON greener.

Items	Composition	Disposal	Suggested Actions to #greeningUNON!
Water cups	Paper	Recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. PREVENT: bring your reusable cup/mug/bottle II. REUSE: reuse them as many times as possible III. RECYCLE: dispose of the paper cup in the paper recycling bin
Sandwich wrap	Polylactic Acid and paper	Incineration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● RECOVERY: dispose of the sandwich wrap in the waste bin for incineration
Paper napkin	Paper	Incineration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PREVENT: only use if needed ● RECOVERY: dispose of the paper napkin in the waste bin for incineration
Packaging for snacks	Plastic (type)	Incineration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PREVENT: opt for healthier and unpacked snacks such as seasonal and local fruits ● RECOVERY: dispose of the plastic packaging in the waste bins for incineration
Drink bottles	Glass		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● RETURN: to the café/restaurant, as glass bottles are reusable
Drink cans	Aluminum	Recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● RECYCLING: dispose of aluminum cans in the aluminum recycling bin
Glass containers	Glass		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RETURN: to the café/restaurant, as glass containers are reusable
Porcelain plates	Porcelain		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. RETURN: to the café/restaurant, as porcelain plates are reusable

Stainless steel cutlery	Stainless steel		1. RETURN: to the café/restaurant, as stainless-steel cutlery is reusable
Disposable cutlery	Polylactic Acid	Incineration	1. PREVENT: opt for reusable stainless-steel cutlery, where possible 2. RECOVERY: dispose of the cutlery in the waste bins for incineration
Cocktail verrines	Polylactic Acid	Incineration	1. PREVENT: opt for reusable alternatives if available 2. RETURN: to the café/restaurant, as verrines can be washed and reused if not broken or damaged 3. RECOVERY: if broken or damaged, dispose of the verrines in the waste bins for incineration
Food waste		Incineration	1. PREVENT: any food waste 2. RECOVERY: dispose of any food waste in the waste bins for incineration

Thank you for your effort to #greeningUNON!