



WORLD
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SUMMIT

A LOOK BACK



WORLD HEALTH SUMMIT 2023
BERLIN, GERMANY & DIGITAL
OCTOBER 15-17



“I urge nationwide and worldwide prevention efforts. Prevention is one of our most powerful tools to combat health disparities and inequalities.”

AURÉLIEN ROUSSEAU
Minister for Solidarity and Health, France



“This idea of being country-led is absolutely critical. Countries know what they need, what needs to get done and we need to be there to help them.”

CATHERINE RUSSELL
Executive Director,
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

“A different path is possible, mainly because a lot of women and young girls are speaking up in a way that they didn't do in the past.”

INGER ASHING
CEO, Save the Children International



“We want to go far, fast, and together. That's really the theme of this conference.”

CHIKWE IHEKWEAZU
Assistant Director-General for the
Division of Health Emergency Intelligence
and Surveillance Systems in the
Emergencies Programme,
World Health Organization (WHO)



“The main purpose of the pandemic fund needs to be to bridge the equity gap so that the most vulnerable get access at the same time as everyone else in the world.”

JAYASREE K. IYER
CEO, Access to Medicine Foundation



“The ultimate goal is that we get to a point where every country is able to pay for their own AIDS response and that that AIDS response is human rights based, person-centered.”

CHRISTINE STEGLING
Deputy Executive Director, Policy,
Advocacy and Knowledge Branch, UNAIDS

“The true spirit of the World Health Summit was to create a platform for multiple stakeholders to come together, to learn from each other, to challenge each other, but also to partner.”

ELHADJ AS SY
Chair of the Board, Kofi Annan Foundation



“It's not only about innovating and about making healthcare better and doing new things, but it's about putting as much energy into bringing what is already there to those who really need it.”

BERND MONTAG
CEO, Siemens Healthineers AG



“It's a unique opportunity for the entire NCD global health system to get digitization forward.”

HEYO KROEMER
CEO, Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin



“The problem [of racism] needs to be resolved by all of us. Not just one group will be resolving problems.”

AWA MARIE COLL SECK
Minister of State to the President, Senegal

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ABOUT THE WORLD HEALTH SUMMIT

3 DAYS · 50+ SESSIONS · 100+ NATIONS · 300+ SPEAKERS · 3,000+ PARTICIPANTS ON-SITE · 10,000+ PARTICIPANTS ONLINE

The World Health Summit is the unique international strategic forum for global health. Held annually in Berlin, it brings together stakeholders from politics, science, the private sector, and civil society from around the world to set the agenda for a healthier future. The World Health Summit was founded in 2009, on the occasion of the 300th anniversary of Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin.

PRESIDENTS

- World Health Summit President Axel R. Pries
- Annual International President provided by the M8 Alliance, on a rotating basis

PATRONS

The World Health Summit is traditionally held under the patronage of:

- Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany
- President of the French Republic
- Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO)

SPEAKERS AND PARTICIPANTS

- Leading scientists and medical professionals
- Ministers and civil servants
- High-ranking officials at international organizations
- CEOs from industry and civil society
- Young professionals and students

GOALS

- Improve health worldwide
- Find answers to health challenges, guided by science
- Bring together stakeholders from all sectors and all regions of the world
- Facilitate open dialogue guided by science
- Strengthen collaboration
- Set health agendas
- Foster global health as a key political issue
- Promote the global health debate in the spirit of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

RESULTS

- M8 Alliance Declaration
- Statements
- Recommendations for national academies, governments and international organizations

M8 ALLIANCE

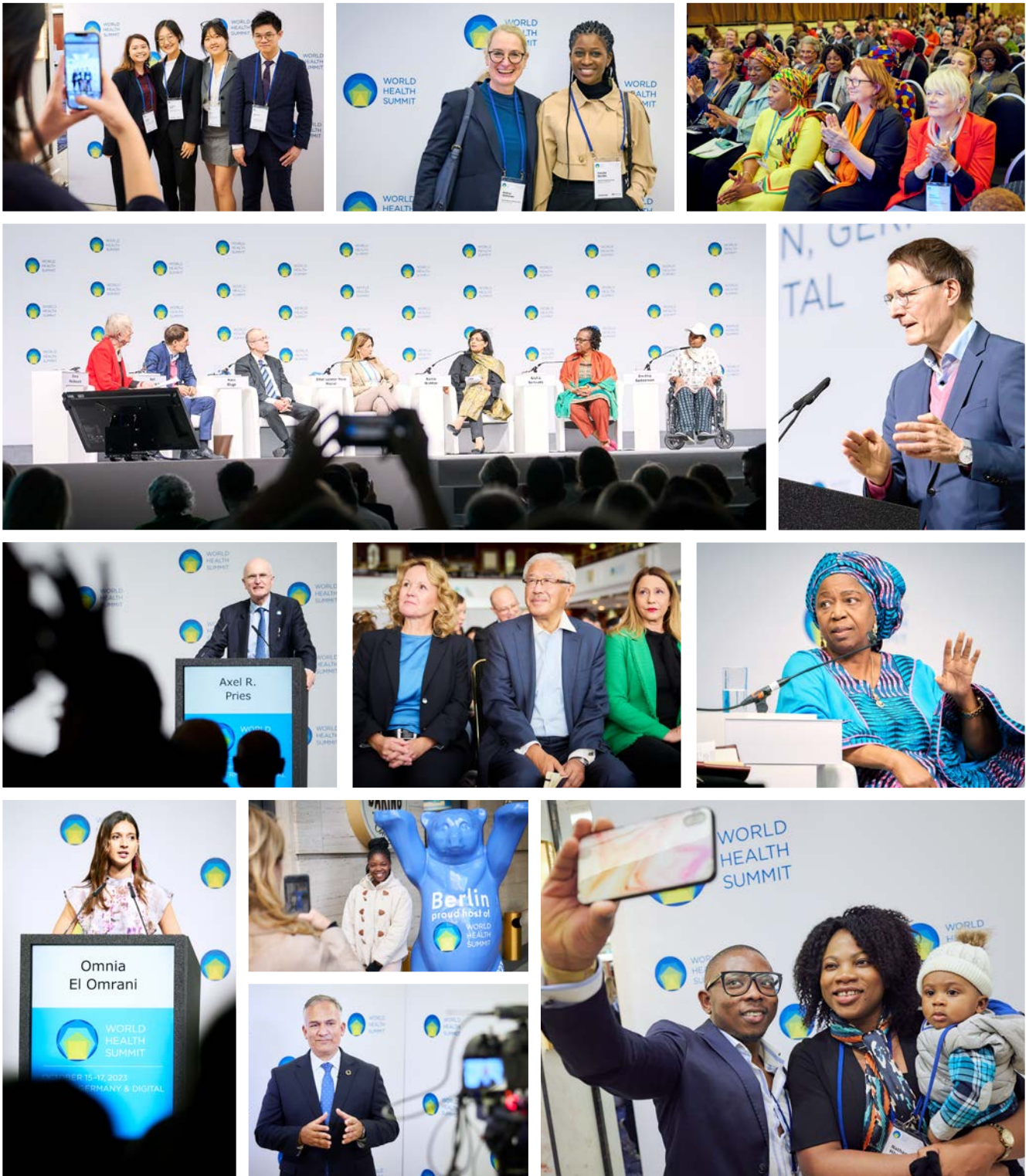
The M8 Alliance of Academic Health Centers, Universities and National Academies is the academic foundation of the World Health Summit. This unique network currently consists of 31 members worldwide.

EVENTS & INITIATIVES

- WHS Global Health Dialogues
- Side Events
- Partner Events
- Launches
- New Voices in Global Health
- IAP Young Physician Leaders

GENERAL TOPICS

- Access to Essential Medicine
- Big Data
- Biomedical Research
- Climate Change and Health
- Digital Innovation
- Drugs and Vaccines
- Evolutionary Medicine
- Global Action Plan for Healthy Lives and Well-being for All
- Global Health Security
- Health in All Policies
- Health Systems Strengthening
- Pandemic Preparedness
- Patient Safety
- Planetary Health
- Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Translational Science
- Universal Health Coverage



WORLD HEALTH SUMMIT 2023

At the World Health Summit 2023, global health experts from around the world gathered in Berlin and online to find solutions for pressing global health challenges of our time. Convened under the theme “A Defining Year for Global Health Action”, the focus was on topics such as climate change and health, pandemic prevention, digital technologies, the role of G7 and G20 in global health, and 75 years of WHO. The mission and vision of the World Health Summit remain as relevant as ever: To improve health worldwide through collaboration and open dialogue by bringing together stakeholders from science, politics, the private sector, and civil society from all regions of the world.

IN NUMBERS

12,000+
participants live online

3,100
participants on-site
in Berlin

1,500
participants on-site
at the opening ceremony
on October 15

50+
partner events and
special sessions

370
speakers

106
countries

63
sessions

52%
female speakers

48%
male speakers

92
hours
broadcasting time

37,000
views
of all session videos on
World Health Summit
and WHO YouTube channels
as of October 31

80,000
website visits
of www.worldhealthsummit.org
in October

1,000
reports
in international media

496,000
impressions
of @WorldHealthSmt
Twitter/X posts
in October 2023

139,000
impressions
of World Health Summit
LinkedIn posts
in October 2023

CENTRAL TOPICS

- Learning from COVID-19 for Future Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response
- Recommitting to Universal Health Coverage
- Sustainable Health for People and Planet
- G7/G20 Measures to Enhance Global Health Equity and Security
- Harnessing the Power of Digital Technologies for Global Health
- World Health Organization’s 75th Anniversary
- Innovations to Accelerate the Fight Against Tuberculosis
- Global Financing Facility (GFF) Pledging Event

PATRONS



“The Summit brings together a wide range of views and provides an environment for open discussions. You are thus laying the foundation for political decisions based on knowledge and good sense. When disinformation campaigns threaten to discredit research findings, help can be found by engaging in scientific dialogue and by pooling expertise. The WHS and you as its participants embody both these elements.”

OLAF SCHOLZ
Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany

“I am delighted to be a Patron alongside Chancellor Olaf Scholz and WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus. As our world is shaken by multiple crises, our work to enhance cooperation, coordination and solidarity at the international level is more important than ever, in order to be better able to face future health threats and emergencies, together.”



EMMANUEL MACRON
President of the Republic of France



“Which leads to the third lesson: the importance of cooperation and multi-stakeholder collaborations, such as those fostered at the World Health Summit. The lesson of the pandemic is clear: we can only face shared threats with a shared response, based on a shared commitment to solidarity and equity.”

TEDROS ADHANOM GHEBREYESUS
Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO)

PRESIDENTS



AXEL R. PRIES
World Health Summit President



ADNAN HYDER
International President 2023
Senior Associate Dean for Research and Professor of Global Health
The George Washington University
Milken Institute School
of Public Health
United States of America

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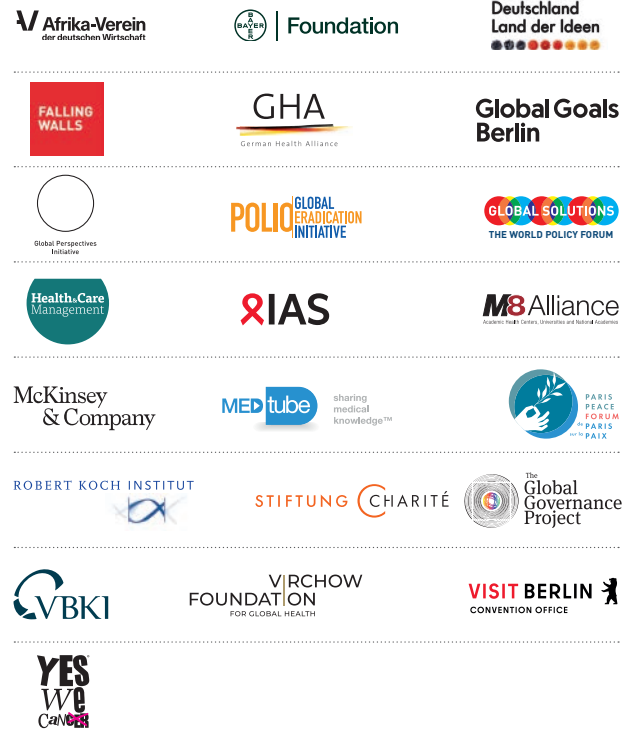
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15



“The vital necessity for the global community to come together and unite in confronting our common global health challenges. Global health is a shared responsibility that can only be effectively addressed when we join forces and work together.”

KARL LAUTERBACH
Federal Minister of Health, Germany

“This is a seminal year in global health and as we consider all the high-level political discussions that you’ve already heard about, it is about acknowledging here today that we all have a role to play and can play our part.”

AYOADE ALAKIJA
Ambassador,
World Health Summit



“Humanity faces so many health challenges now, from war to the climate crisis; deepening poverty and growing hunger; rapidly depleting natural resources and natural disasters, and of course, global and regional disease outbreaks.”

TEDROS ADHANOM GHEBREYESUS
Director-General, World Health Organization (WHO)



“Health is the ultimate narrative of hope. And only through intentional partnerships and meaningful cooperation we can collectively address the global health challenges that we are facing and the systemic inequalities that my generation is living through.”

OMNIA EL OMRANI
Youth Envoy to the President of the UN 27th
Climate Change Conference (COP27)



“We talked about investments today, we talked about true partnerships, we talked about collaboration. And this will really be it: That we put in our part and the others will be putting their part. And then we can move on.”

ROSE GANA FOMBAN LEKE

Director, Biotechnology Centre, Université de Yaoundé

“The worldwide global health community has a responsibility: We have to strengthen the spirit of international cooperation working for life and humanism on earth.”

AXEL R. PRIES

World Health Summit President



“The World Health Summit is the ideal setting for this crucial discussion. With its unique combination of expertise and experience, perspective, and political drive.”

STELLA KYRIAKIDES

Commissioner for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

“Ultimately, if we want to achieve better health outcomes for the world’s poor, which includes just about half of the population, then we need to develop more effective financing mechanisms that help the Global South build up its public health systems and to create robust and responsive domestic infrastructure.”

MIA AMOR MOTTLEY

Prime Minister, Barbados



MONDAY, OCTOBER 16



“Money is the first important step. But that is not enough. We need country-led solutions in every country, we need the engagement of every country.”

SVENJA SCHULZE

Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany

“There’s a big need, we also have lots of solutions. Solutions that have been delivered in many settings but not all. And consequently, we’re not waiting for the solutions to arrive – we have the solutions – and we know they can be delivered and scaled rapidly.”

CHRISTOPHER ELIAS

President, Global Development, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation



“Prioritizing the needs of women and girls is as essential as any other type of medicine that is going to heal a troubled world. A world that needs peace and women to lead that.”

NATALIA KANEM

Executive Director, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)



“Young people cannot be ignored. We cannot be ignored. If you talk about education, gender, health, you cannot go forward without the youth’s voice in those spaces.”

CHRISTINA CHILIMBA

Founder and Executive Director, All for Youth



“Let’s remember that trust is restored when ordinary people feel the very tangible benefits of policies designed to protect their lives and livelihoods.”

HANS KLUGE

Regional Director for Europe, World Health Organization (WHO)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17



“We need to make sure that the things we are doing for the community are led by the community and evaluated by the community.”

WILHEMINA S. JALLAH
Minister of Health, Liberia



“It’s all very well to sign up to targets - and another thing altogether to actually deliver on those targets. And that’s what we must now really focus on.”

PETER SANDS
Executive Director, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

“The World Health Summit reflects the interdependence between human health and environmental health. There is growing awareness worldwide of this connection.”

STEFFI LEMKE
Federal Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Nuclear Safety and Consumer Protection, Germany



“We have to think about how to build capacities not only for Africa but for a globally distributed system.”

GITHINJI GITAHI
Global CEO, Amref Health Africa



“We are proposing something which is just common sense: Stop fighting with nature, look for sources of energy which will not kill you and suffocate you, promote cities that will have a more sustainable transportation system, protect people who are more vulnerable and make sure that they have the health system we need.”

MARÍA NEIRA
Department of Environment, Climate Change and Health, World Health Organization (WHO)

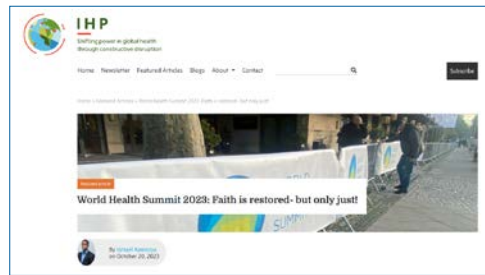


MEDIA

COVERAGE OF THE WORLD HEALTH SUMMIT

Selected Media Mentions

- Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung
- The Brussels Times
- rbb24/inforadio
- Tagesspiegel
- Devex
- The BMJ
- The Straits Times
- Euractiv
- Heraldo
- ZDF
- Health Policy Watch
- Politico
- Daily Mail
- The Telegraph
- Deccan Chronicle
- The Tribune India
- Deutschlandfunk
- PÚBLICO
- Augsburgener Allgemeine
- Agence Congolaise de Presse
- Ärztezeitung
- El Sol de la Laguna
- South China Morning Post
- BusinessLIVE
- Bangkok Post
- El Pais
- The Lancet
- The Nigerian Voice
- The Dawn Pakistan
- Berliner Zeitung
- The Guardian
- Caribbean Broadcasting Cooperation



SPECIAL PUBLICATION

Special edition of ZEIT für Forschung on global health incl. advertorial with Axel R. Pries in DIE ZEIT 40/2023

ZEIT für [FORSCHUNG]
GLOBALE GESUNDHEIT

Ein gesundes Leben für alle Menschen jeden Alters – dies ist eines der 17 Nachhaltigkeitsziele der Agenda 2030 für nachhaltige Entwicklung. Wie kann diese Vision wahr werden?

→ **Gemeinsam Gesundheit gestalten – effizient, gerecht und nachhaltig**

→ **Alle medizinische Forschung ist Global Health Forschung**

Prof. Dr. Axel R. Pries, Mitglied der Kommission für die Zukunft der Gesundheitsforschung der Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin

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19,570 **10,920**
 Twitter/X Facebook
10,800 **2,560**
 LinkedIn Instagram

TWITTER/X DATA

in October 2023

3,450
 likes
1,560
 new followers

LINKEDIN DATA

in October 2023

3,800
 reactions
1,650
 new followers



WEBSITE

295,800
 page views 2023
157,500
 page users 2023
 from 189 countries & territories

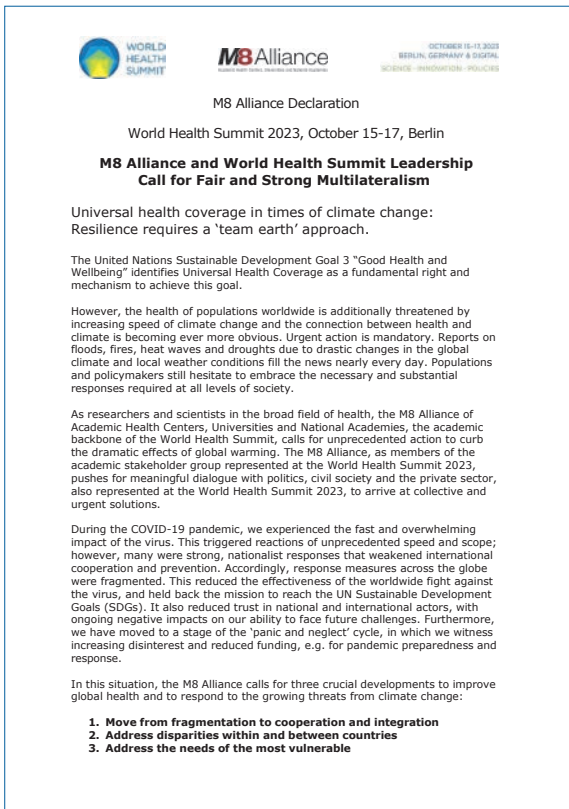
28,450
 page views October 15-17
15,000
 page users October 15-17
 from 143 countries & territories

NEWSLETTER

monthly edition of
WORLD HEALTH SUMMIT NEWS
 to the World Health Summit network
 with
30,000
 contacts worldwide

IMPACT

M8 Alliance Declaration at WHS 2023



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M8 Alliance Declaration
World Health Summit 2023, October 15-17, Berlin

M8 Alliance and World Health Summit Leadership Call for Fair and Strong Multilateralism

Universal health coverage in times of climate change: Resilience requires a 'team earth' approach.

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 3 "Good Health and Wellbeing" identifies Universal Health Coverage as a fundamental right and mechanism to achieve this goal.

However, the health of populations worldwide is additionally threatened by increasing speed of climate change and the connection between health and climate is becoming ever more obvious. Urgent action is mandatory. Reports on floods, fires, heat waves and droughts due to drastic changes in the global climate and local weather conditions fill the news nearly every day. Populations and policymakers still hesitate to embrace the necessary and substantial responses required at all levels of society.

As researchers and scientists in the broad field of health, the M8 Alliance of Academic Health Centers, Universities and National Academies, the academic backbone of the World Health Summit, calls for unprecedented action to curb the dramatic effects of global warming. The M8 Alliance, as members of the academic stakeholder group represented at the World Health Summit 2023, pushes for meaningful dialogue with politics, civil society and the private sector, also represented at the World Health Summit 2023, to arrive at collective and urgent solutions.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, we experienced the fast and overwhelming impact of the virus. This triggered reactions of unprecedented speed and scope; however, many were strong, nationalist responses that weakened international cooperation and prevention. Accordingly, response measures across the globe were fragmented. This reduced the effectiveness of the worldwide fight against the virus, and held back the mission to reach the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It also reduced trust in national and international actors, with ongoing negative impacts on our ability to face future challenges. Furthermore, we have moved to a stage of the 'panic and neglect' cycle, in which we witness increasing disinterest and reduced funding, e.g. for pandemic preparedness and response.

In this situation, the M8 Alliance calls for three crucial developments to improve global health and to respond to the growing threats from climate change:

1. Move from fragmentation to cooperation and integration
2. Address disparities within and between countries
3. Address the needs of the most vulnerable

The M8 Alliance and the World Health Summit call for fair and strong multilateralism to improve universal health coverage and thus resilience to climate change.

To improve global health and to respond to the growing threats from climate change, the M8 Alliance calls to

- move from fragmentation to cooperation and integration
- address disparities within and between countries
- address the needs of the most vulnerable

Joint Statement on Green Health by World Health Summit and World Health Organization (WHO) at WHS 2023



WORLD HEALTH SUMMIT | World Health Organization

World Health Summit 2023 - Statement on Green Health
Health leaders at the WHS support WHO commitment to build climate resilient, low carbon sustainable health systems (ATACH)

The climate emergency has escalated around the world in 2023 in unprecedented ways as multiple compounding disasters and their health impacts have increased exponentially. It is one of the greatest public health threats of our time. The consequences have included the destruction of livelihoods, increased hunger, human suffering, and death and have led to increasing inequities within and between countries. While the planet experiences floods, heat waves, crop failures, fires, water shortages and more, fossil fuel subsidies have risen to a record high. We urgently call for the implementation of the strategies proposed in the IPCC 2023 report.

The health argument for climate action has become even more tangible and urgent. Staying below the 1.5°C target, requires a transformational 50% reduction in emissions by 2030—reaching net zero by 2050. Every organization, across every sector, everywhere, needs to do its part; healthcare is no exception. We recognize the first priority of many countries has to be adaptation to protect the people in acute danger, followed by mitigative measures that protect the environment. At present such prioritization is an unfortunate necessity as many of the financial commitments made to support LMIC are yet to be fulfilled.

If the global health sector were a country, it would be the fifth largest greenhouse gas emitter on the planet. **It is our responsibility as health leaders at the World Health Summit to call an end to business as usual in relation to climate action and to position ourselves with determination on the side of health and equity.** We demand that our governments give priority to health system adaptation and commit to zero emission targets for health systems.

We recognize that we as health leaders must make a unique and powerful contribution to climate leadership and advocacy by building the collective voice of health professionals to support system-wide initiatives to reduce the climate impact of healthcare and call for wider societal actions that both reduce carbon emissions and improve health. **Every hospital, health practice, public health centre and health professional needs to act and can act.**

We recognize that the health sector - national and local - has an important role to

- build better, more climate-resilient and low-carbon health systems; and
- implement public health measures to protect from the range of climate risks to health

Health leaders at the World Health Summit support World Health Organization (WHO) commitment to build climate resilient, low carbon sustainable health systems.

In the joint statement they recognize the important role of the national and local health sector to

- build better, more climate resilient and low-carbon health systems
- implement public health measures to protect from the range of risks to health
- provide evidence and health assessments of the impacts of policy action and
- guide other sectors whose actions impact substantially on health, carbon emissions and climate resilience

At the World Health Summit 2023 ...

... the Global Financing Facility’s pledging event was held to secure funding to improve health and rights for 250 million women, children and youth. Governments and philanthropies committed USD 445 million funding towards that goal.

... the Equity 2030 Alliance was launched hosted by United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), The Government of Ghana, and The Government of Norway. To normalize gender equity, the Alliance accelerates transformative norms and principles and introduces data-driven arguments and strategies for closing the gaps in women-focused and gender-inclusive health solutions in science, technology, and financing by 2030.

... UNICEF launched the Community Health Delivery Partnership (CHDP) to accelerate the implementation of national priorities for primary health care at the community level.

... “Health: A Political Choice - From Fragmentation to Integration” was launched. This official publication by the Global Governance Project features high-level contributions from World Health Summit speakers and global health leaders focusing on pressing global health topics.







“We need to ensure equity in access and in outcomes, and we need to ensure coherence with the ecosystem, all of us.”

JOY PHUMAPHI
Co-Chair, Global Preparedness Monitoring Board (GPMB)



“You are a community in all your different functions, in different countries and you have learned that there is only one health on earth.”

AXEL R. PRIES
President, World Health Summit

“We need to take a much more holistic view of the emerging health needs in countries, bringing together infectious and non-communicable diseases.”



ANURADHA GUPTA
President of Global Immunization, Sabin Vaccine Institute

“Women don’t want charity, women want power over their lives, over their world and their health.”



ILONA KICKBUSCH
Founding Director, Global Health Center, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies



“Surveillance is really at the heart of things.”

CHRISTIAN DROSTEN
Director, Institute of Virology, Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin



“It is important for us to elevate voices from a variety of different communities across the world.”

GARTH GRAHAM
Head, YouTube Health

“The most important thing is for us to commit ourselves to improving access to medicine globally. Asserting the true causes of problems and standing firm to realize improved access.”



SUNAO MANABE
Executive Chairperson and CEO, Daiichi Sankyo

“A healthier women’s population throughout the world will have a multiplier effect – not only in terms of women’s health, but their communities and their economies.”

KEVIN ALI
CEO, Organon



“The evidence is showing that there are incredible inequalities of access to cancer care for women.”

ISABEL MESTRES MESA
CEO, City Cancer Challenge Foundation



“As a government, as a country, as a society, polio has taught us the importance of systems and structures for delivery.”

SANIA NISHTAR
Founder, Heartfile



“We should be asking questions relevant to the communities that are most affected.”

ALAN DANGOUR
Director of Climate and Health, Wellcome Trust

REGIONAL MEETING 2023

Milken Institute School
of Public Health
THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY



WORLD HEALTH SUMMIT REGIONAL MEETING WASHINGTON DC, USA & DIGITAL APRIL 13, 2023

HOSTS

The George Washington University Milken
Institute School of Public Health

Association of Academic Health Centers
International (AAHCI)

Consortium of Universities
for Global Health (CUGH)

In association with the other US-based M8 Alliance members
Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health
and the United States National Academies of Sciences,
Engineering, and Medicine as part of IAP.

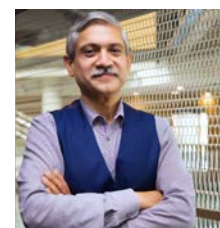
Under the theme of 'Bridging the Science to Policy Gap for Global Health' the World Health Summit Regional Meeting 2023 highlighted the essential role of evidence-based science for the development of global health policy.

The Regional Meeting 2023 brought together stakeholders from all relevant sectors and focused on joining forces for global health by creating a unique opportunity for knowledge exchange and partnership building. The conjunction between global health and development was a further focus.

Selected topics of the World Health Summit Regional Meeting:

- Global Health in a Political World
- Climate Change, Pandemics, Social Determinants of Health
- Confronting the Burden of NCDs
- Gender and Power
- Racism in Global Health
- Technology for Global Health
- Sustainable Giving in Global Health

World Health Summit International President 2023



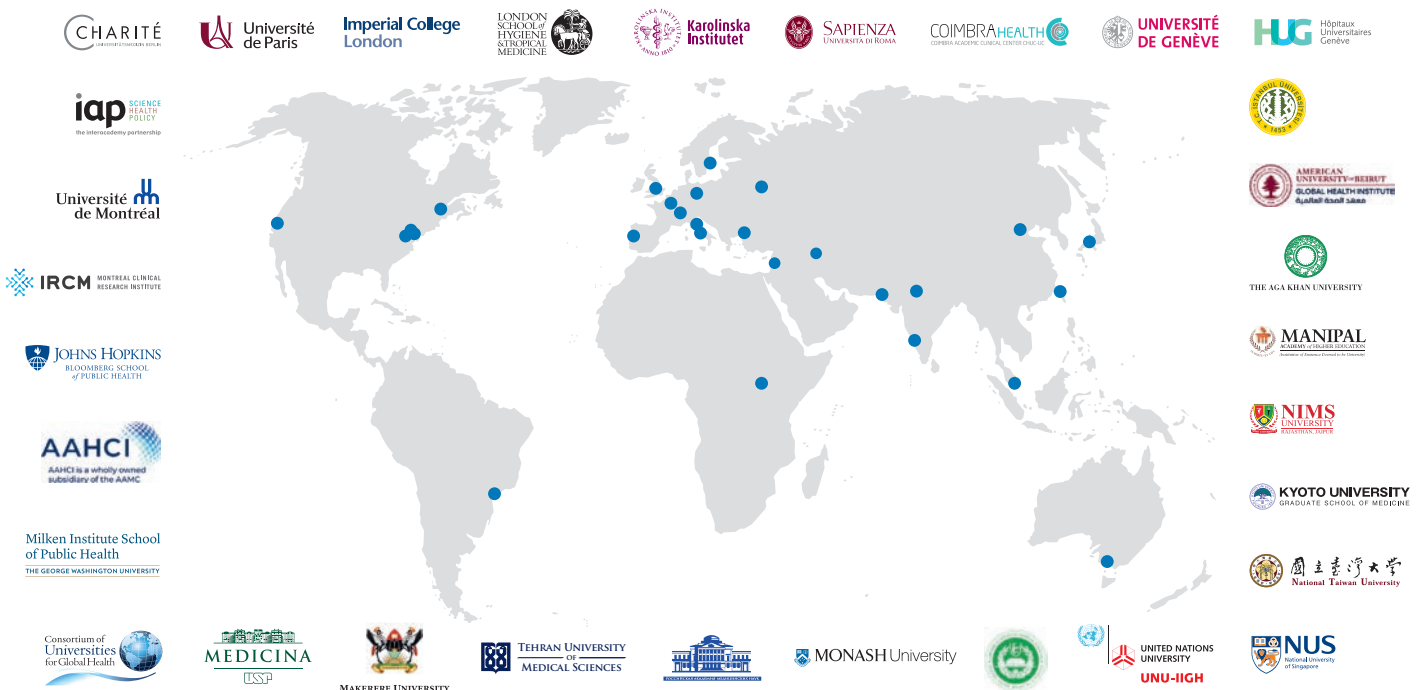
ADNAN HYDER
Senior Associate Dean
for Research and
Professor of Global Health
The George Washington
University Milken Institute
School of Public Health, USA



M8 Alliance

Academic Health Centers, Universities and National Academies

The M8 Alliance is the academic foundation of the World Health Summit. A unique network of 31 leading international academic health centers, universities, and research institutions worldwide, it includes the InterAcademy Partnership (IAP), which represents all national academies of medicine and science.



All M8 Alliance members are committed to improving global health and working with political and economic decision-makers to develop science-based solutions to health challenges worldwide.

In addition to the annual World Health Summit in October in Berlin, the M8 Alliance organizes annual Regional Meetings, regular Expert Meetings, and Summer Schools in different parts of the world.

REGIONAL MEETINGS

2024 Melbourne, Australia
2023 Washington DC, USA
2022 Rome, Italy
2021 Kampala, Uganda
2020 Meeting postponed due to COVID-19
2019 Kish Island, Iran

2018 Coimbra, Portugal
2017 Montreal, Canada
2016 Geneva, Switzerland
2015 Kyoto, Japan
2014 São Paulo, Brazil
2013 Singapore

M8 Alliance

Academic Health Centers, Universities and National Academies



Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany

Europe's largest university clinic—and its oldest and most prominent hospital—is located in the German capital. Eleven Nobel Laureates have worked at Charité.



THE AGA KHAN UNIVERSITY

Aga Khan University, Pakistan

Founded in 1983 as Pakistan's first private university, Aga Khan University initially began as a health-sciences university and is among the largest private health-care providers in Pakistan and East Africa.



American University of Beirut, Lebanon

The Global Health Institute at AUB addresses global health challenges with a focus on context and sustainable impact by employing an interdisciplinary approach. The primary focus are challenges that are affecting the MENA region, but have relevance to and impact on other regions in the Global South.



Association of Academic Health Centers International (AAHCI)

The AAHCI is a global non-profit organization that aligns efforts among health professionals in education, research, and patient care.



Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences & Peking Union Medical College, China

The college is among the most selective medical institutions in the People's Republic of China and one of its top two universities.



Coimbra Health, Portugal

Over 700 years old, the University of Coimbra is a keystone of European and global scientific culture, as well as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Together with the Coimbra Hospital and University Center, it forms Coimbra Health.



Consortium of Universities for Global Health (CUGH)

CUGH is a network of over 170 academic institutions and organizations around the world addressing global health challenges.



Geneva University Hospitals, Switzerland

The Geneva University Hospitals are heirs to a centuries-long tradition of excellence in medicine and science. The HUG represents a merger of all public hospitals in Geneva.



Imperial College London, UK

The Imperial College of Science and Technology was created as a constituent college of the University of London. Fully independent since 2007, the Imperial College London attracts students from more than 100 countries.



InterAcademy Partnership (IAP)

Under the umbrella of the InterAcademy Partnership (IAP), more than 140 national, regional and global member academies work together to support the vital role of science in seeking evidence-based solutions to the world's most challenging problems.



Istanbul University, Turkey

With origins dating back to 1453, Istanbul University is an internationally recognized institute of higher learning with over 170,000 students and 22 faculties dedicated to research and education.



Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, USA

A fully accredited private institution, the JHSPH was the first public health facility in the world, and it remains the largest school in the field.



Karolinska Institutet, Sweden

Karolinska Institutet is Sweden's largest medical academic research center and one of the world's foremost medical universities. It is home to the assembly that selects Nobel laureates in physiology or medicine.



Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine, Japan

The first institution of its kind in Japan, the Kyoto Imperial University College of Medicine was founded in 1899. Its successor, the Kyoto University School of Public Health, was established in 2000.



London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, UK

Founded in 1899, the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine is one of the leading research-focused graduate schools in the world.



Makerere University, Uganda

One of the oldest and most prestigious centers of learning in Africa, Makerere University is home to a staff of over 4,000 and more than 40,000 students.



Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), India

Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE) has over 35,000 students from 60+ nations. It is one of India's leading academic and research institutions that provides graduate and postgraduate courses covering several key disciplines including Medicine and Pharmacy.

Milken Institute School of Public Health

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Milken Institute School of Public Health, USA

The Milken Institute School of Public Health at George Washington University was established in 1997 and is the only school of public health in Washington, DC



Monash University, Australia

As Australia's largest university - with approximately 60,000 students from over 170 countries—Monash has seven campuses: five in Victoria, one in Malaysia and another in South Africa.



Montreal Clinical Research Institute, Canada

The IRCM was the first independent academic research center in Quebec to bring basic and clinical researchers together under a single roof.



National Taiwan University

Known for its diverse and international curriculum, National Taiwan University is made up of 11 colleges, 54 departments and 105 graduate institutes. It has a student body of around 30,000.



National University of Singapore

Founded in 1905, the National University of Singapore today consists of 16 different faculties and schools. Around 37,000 students can be found on its three campuses in Singapore and seven overseas locations.



NIMS University, India

NIMS University is a state private medical and technical university. It provides modern amenities and the highest caliber of education in a variety of degree courses. It is among the top emerging medical universities in India.



Russian Academy of Medical Sciences, Russia

Set up in 1944, the USSR Academy of Medical Sciences was considered the most prestigious scientific and medical organization in the Soviet Union. Its successor—the Russian Academy of Medical Sciences—was founded in 1992.



Sapienza University of Rome, Italy

Established in 1303 by Pope Boniface VIII, Sapienza is one of the oldest universities in the world. With about 115,000 students, it's one of the largest in Europe as well.



Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Iran

The university is the oldest, largest, and most highly ranked comprehensive higher education institute in the field of medicine and public health in Iran, offering a wide range of courses and receiving applications from students from around the globe.



United Nations University International Institute for Global Health

UNU International Institute for Global Health is the designated UN think tank on global health and serves as a policy translation hub for UN member states, agencies and programmes. The Institute generates policy-relevant analysis by applying a gender lens to inform the development, implementation and evaluation of health programmes.



University of Montreal, Canada

A public research university that started with less than 100 students in 1878, the University of Montreal has more than 60,000 today. Comprised of 13 faculties and more than 60 departments, it has the highest sponsored research income in Quebec.



University of Geneva, Switzerland

Founded in 1559 as a theological and humanist seminary, the University of Geneva is renowned for emphasizing the unity of teaching and research. It's the only tertiary-level educational institution of its kind in the region.



University of São Paulo, Brazil

Founded in 1934, the University of São Paulo arose from a combination of institutions, including a medical school. Today the largest university in Brazil is seen as the country's most prestigious educational institution.



University of Paris, France

The University of Paris (UP) is one of the leading French research-intensive universities with over 60,000 students and covers a wide range of disciplines, with one of the most comprehensive and ambitious training offers. UP is a world-leading university in the fields of health sciences, physics, biology, earth and planetary sciences. UP is the result of the merger between Université Paris-Descartes, Université Paris-Diderot and the integration of the Institut de physique du globe de Paris, effective since January 2020.

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Throughout the year, the World Health Summit organizes various formats and fosters several initiatives. The WHS Global Health Dialogues regularly bring together thought-leaders and decision-makers to discuss the most urgent global health topics in an exclusive and intimate setting.

By taking on a political-strategic focal point, the WHS Global Health Dialogues are developed in the context of relevant global health events like G7/G20 conferences or UN High-Level meetings, putting global health on the agenda of international politics as well as complementing the central topics of the World Health Summit.

In 2023, the topics of the WHS Global Health Dialogues included:

- Recommitting to Universal Health Coverage
- Harnessing the Power of Digital Technologies for Health
- 2023: A Defining Year for Global Health Action and Rethinking the Global Health Landscape



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