

Election of the WHO Director-General

May, 2016 69th World Health Assembly, 139th Executive Board

- Mock vote at the 69th WHA and 139th EB to test electronic voting
See Res WHA67.2, para 2
http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA67-REC1/A67_2014_REC1-en.pdf#page=28
- The Board decides the date of the candidates' forum
See Res WHA66.18, Annex 2, para 1
http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA66-REC1/A66_REC1-en.pdf#page=60

22 September, 2016 Member States

- Deadline for Member States to submit proposals
See Res WHA66.18, paras 3-4
http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA66-REC1/A66_REC1-en.pdf#page=56
- See Code of Conduct, para B.I (Annex 1 to Res WHA66.18)
http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA66-REC1/A66_REC1-en.pdf#page=58
- See Rule 52(2) EB RoP
http://www.who.int/governance/EB_Rules_of_Procedure-en.pdf#page=15

On or about 24 October, 2016 Member States

- Member States and candidates may participate in the web forum
See Code of Conduct, para B.II.11 (Annex 1 to Res WHA66.18)
http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA66-REC1/A66_REC1-en.pdf#page=59

November, 2016 Member States

- Candidates' forum of maximum three days, chaired by the Board's Chairman and open to Member States: for each candidate, presentation by the candidate and Q&As session
See Res WHA66.18, Annex 2
http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA66-REC1/A66_REC1-en.pdf#page=60

23 January - 1 February, 2017 140th Executive Board

- The Board draws up a short list of five candidates and interviews them. Then, from that short list, it nominates up to three persons and submits their names to the Health Assembly
See Rule 52(7) to (10) EB RoP
http://www.who.int/governance/EB_Rules_of_Procedure-en.pdf#page=15

22 May - 31 May, 2017 70th World Health Assembly

- The Health Assembly appoints the DG from among the candidates nominated by the Board
See Rule 106 WHA RoP
http://www.who.int/governance/WHA_Rules_of_Procedure-en.pdf#page=27



22 April, 2016 - Secretariat

- The Secretariat invites Member States to propose persons for the post of DG
Rule 52(1) EB RoP http://www.who.int/governance/EB_Rules_of_Procedure-en.pdf#page=15
- The Secretariat also posts on WHO website information on the election process, applicable rules and decisions, and the text of the Code of Conduct
Code of Conduct, para B.II.12 (Annex 1 to Res WHA66.18) http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA66-REC1/A66_REC1-en.pdf#page=59

On or about 23 September, 2016 - Secretariat

- The Secretariat releases names publicly, along with the names of the nominating countries in accordance with established practice

21 October, 2016 - Secretariat

- The Secretariat translates, duplicates and dispatches proposals, curricula vitae and supporting information to all Member States
Rule 52(3) EB RoP
http://www.who.int/governance/EB_Rules_of_Procedure-en.pdf#page=15
- DG requests medical exam of candidates
Res EB120.R19, para 1
http://apps.who.int/gb/archive/pdf_files/EB120/b120_r19-en.pdf

On or about 24 October, 2016 - Secretariat

- The Secretariat opens a web forum for Q&As and posts on WHO website information on candidates
Code of Conduct, para B.II.11 (Annex 1 to Res WHA66.18)
http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA66-REC1/A66_REC1-en.pdf#page=59

1 July, 2017 - Secretariat

- Start of the term of the newly appointed DG
See Res WHA65.2
http://apps.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA65-REC1/A65_REC1-en.pdf#page=25

