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WHO at COP29:

Daily highlights for media, Tuesday 12 November

<u>COP29 Health Pavilion</u> (Blue Zone, Baku Stadium), hosted by WHO in collaboration with the Wellcome Trust and the health community, will once again offer a rich two-week <u>programme of events</u> to showcase evidence, initiatives and solutions to maximize the health benefits of tackling climate change across regions, sectors and communities. All COP29 Health Pavilion events will be livestreamed and open to the media to join.

Featured events

Press Conference: Joint WHO/UNICEF/Lancet Countdown press conference on climate, health and children, 14:00-14:30 AZT Karabakh Area D (Press Room 1)

WHO, UNICEF and Lancet Countdown will brief the journalists on why health and well-being, and children's rights must be at the core of climate action in order to save lives and secure healthier futures for present and future generations.

Speakers: Dr Maria Neira, Director of the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Health, WHO; Abheet Solomon, Senior Advisor, Environment, UNICEF; and Maria Walawender, Climate Change and Health Research Fellow, Lancet Countdown.

ONE UN event on Human Rights at COP29 "Achieving transformative climate action through gender-responsive, rights-based economic approaches," 13:15-14:45 AZT, Room SE3, Blue Zone

WHO's Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus will join United Nations Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights in the context of climate change Elisa Morgera and representatives of women, youth, Indigenous Peoples, and UN university to discuss gender-responsive, rights-based economic approaches to climate action.

High-Level UN Event by WHO and UNICEF "The Health Argument for Climate Action, focusing on maternal, newborn, and child health" 16:45-18:15 AZT, Room SE4, Blue Zone

Prime Minister of Spain Pedro Sánchez, WHO's Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus and UNICEF's Deputy Executive Director Kitty van der Heijden will - host- a dialogue along with leaders from government, public and private sectors. They will explore the health argument for climate action focusing on mothers, newborn infants and children.

This in-person event is open to journalists with a valid Blue Zone accreditation. Visit the <u>event page</u> for additional information and a livestream/recording of the proceedings.

Additional information: <u>Health at COP28</u>; <u>COP28 Hub</u>: <u>Health in climate change talks</u>; <u>Climate Change and Health</u>; <u>Environment</u>, <u>Climate Change and Health</u>; <u>Fact Sheet</u>: <u>Climate Change</u>

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