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"Friends of the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases (NCDs): Supporting Member States to achieve the **NCD-related Sustainable Development Goals targets**"

A side event on the occasion of the UN General Assembly

Thursday, 27 September 2018, 13:15-14:30, UN Headquarters, New York, Conference Room 5

This session will review the current work of the Task Force and will agree ways to provide more effective UN system support to enable countries to scale up their responses to the NCD-related SDG targets. The session will also highlight how Member States are responding to the NCD epidemic. The side event will review how the Task Force, Member States and other development partners are responding to recent ECOSOC resolutions regarding the work of the NCD Task Force.

Objectives

- Critically review how the UN system is responding to Member States' demands for technical assistance to address the NCD-related SDG targets.
- Hear how Member States are developing whole-of-government responses to the NCD-related SDG targets and what are the main challenges being faced.
- Assess how the UN system should scale up its support to Member States.

Keynote speakers

- Maithripala Sirisena, President of Sri Lanka
- Veronika Skvortsova, Minister of Healthcare, Russian Federation
- Jorge Carlos Fonseca, President of Cabo Verde
- Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General, WHO
- Achim Steiner, Administrator, UNDP

Panellists

- Michel Sidibé, Executive Director, UNAIDS
- Ms Helena Semedo, Deputy Director-General, FAO
- President, Kenya
- Yury Fedotov, Executive Director, UNODC
- Prime Minister, Antigua and Barbuda
- Christopher Tufton, Minister of Health, Jamaica
- Head of delegation, UK
- Johan Carlson, Director General, Public Health Agency, Sweden
- Hussain Al Rand, Assistant Undersecretary for Health Centers, UAE

Special features

- Task Force members will describe opportunities to mobilize domestic and international financing for the NCDrelated SDG targets.
- The 2018 Task Force awards will be announced.

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